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SUMMARY.

A train conveying King Alfonso of Spain, Queen Victoria, and their infant son, en route to England, was derailed when entering Cherbourg.

One of the railway employees was seriously hurt, but the royal party escaped injury.

The Hon. Victor Cavendish, M.P., believes there will be a general election in Great Britain in March next.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer says he is prepared to give fair consideration to any practical scheme for reforming the House of Lords.

The power of unlimited veto must first, however, be removed from that House.

According to Lord Milner, the true antidote to revolutionary socialism is practical social reform.

Canada will negotiate preferential trade treaties with Italy and Germany next year.

Owing to the stringency of cash the banks in San Francisco are issuing Clearing-house certificates.

Officials of several suspended trusts and State banks anticipate resuming business on Monday.

A French savant has informed the Academy of Sciences that corundum is transformed into rubies and topazes under the action of radium.

The "Times" recognises the prompt manner in which the German Emperor and the Crown Prince stamped out the "poisonous elements in the court circle."

The journal thinks it very mysterious that Prince Bulow, who was cited as a witness for the defence, preferred not to appear.

The "Daily Telegraph" applauds the conduct of the German Emperor and the Crown Prince.

The Pope has excommunicated Father George Tyrrell for criticising in the "Times" the encyclical of his Holiness on "modernism."

A number of sappers at Vladivostock mutinied and attacked barracks where the 10th Rifle Brigade was quartered.

Seventy-seven authors and playwrights have written to the Prime Minister asking for the abolition of the censorship of plays.

Owing to increased demand in Russia, Australia, and India, the price of tea has risen 20 per cent. this year.

The deaths are announced of Lord Gormanston, formerly Governor of Tasmania, and Gerald Massey, poet, aged 79.

The State Treasurer delivered his Budget speech in the Legislative Assembly last night.

The rising tide of prosperity, together with careful management, had made their position, Mr. Waddell said, one of unexampled strength.

The Treasurer referred to the necessity for the reduction of taxation, and to the proposal to grant pensions for the infirm.

The exemption limit for incomes from taxation would be raised to £1000.

The revenue for last year was £1,109,000 in excess of the amount received during the previous year.

The revenue for the present year was estimated at £12,799,945, and the expenditure at £11,949,048, leaving an estimated surplus of £850,896.

The stamp duties would be abolished from January 1 next.

A subsidy of £195,000 for the year would be granted to the shire councils for local government purposes.

Special grants amounting in the aggregate to £50,000 would be made to municipalities and shire councils.

The Government was determined to pursue a vigorous policy of closer settlement.

The loan expenditure was the lowest for 20 years, and the loan account closed with a credit balance of £557,026.

While the financial position was at present so good, the situation was not without anxiety.

Mr. M'Gowen said the exempting of 21,000 people from the income tax was not a lightening of the burden on the poor.

There had been a discrimination in regard to railway freights and fares, but not in favour of the poor man.

The Labour party intended to oppose the remission of taxation, and the killing of the Arbitration Court.

Mr. Fisher has been elected leader of the Federal Labour party in succession to Mr. Watson.

The Inspector-General of Police says it is a fallacy to assert that the police receive promotion for arrests for minor offences.

Due regard was always paid to efficiency, long service, and good conduct.

"There is no political influence in this department, and never will be whilst I am here," remarked Mr. Garvin.

The Labour leagues are arranging to run candidates at the forthcoming municipal elections.

Lieutenant Shackleton, leader of the Antarctic expedition, will lecture in Sydney on December 6.

The British rifle team and the Australian and New Zealand teams were entertained at a harbour picnic yesterday.

Major Richardson said a misapprehension about the targets at 500 yards lost the British team the Empire match.

The sale of the Auburn Vale subdivision, at Inverell, yesterday, was highly successful. The sale realised £71,472.

The Closer Settlement Board will to-day commence its inquiry into the proposal to resume the Peel River Estate.

The Eight-hour demonstration held at Orange was a successful affair. The procession was well carried out, and the town was en fete.

In consequence of the fall in the water at Prospect reservoir, the quantity sent down daily from Cataract has been doubled.

In an appeal to the Supreme Court, it was held that a second-hand bicycle did not come within the definition of old wares.

At the meeting of the Colonial Sugar Company the report showed a prosperous half-year. A dividend of 10 per cent. was recommended.

Professor Biles, a member of the Admiralty Committee on Design, is much impressed with the shipping facilities of Sydney Harbour.

Mr. Lyman Pierce says that boxing is a sport which might be included in any Y.M.C.A. curriculum.

Norman Moses, a Syrian, was committed for trial on a charge of sending a threatening letter to Mr. S. Hordern, demanding money.

John Patterson pleaded guilty at Charters Towers to shooting William Neale at Cloncurry, and was sentenced to death.

Mr. James Watson, M.L.C., died yesterday, at the age of 70.

Out of 635 head of cattle en route for Walcha, 235 were found dead on Noggabri reserve.

The cause of death was presumably eating thistles after a light shower of rain.

The House of Representatives, in committee, resumed consideration of the tariff yesterday, fruits and vegetables being under discussion.

Dr. Arthur has resigned his position as president of the Immigration League of Australia. Mr. W. A. Oakley was elected president.

A number of aldermen will be disfranchised by the Local Government Act, which comes into full force in January.

A ministerial session of the Methodist Synod (Sydney district) was commenced at the Centenary Hall yesterday.

The harvest in Western Australia this season will be twice as heavy as that of last year.

At the mining conference at Newcastle, the proprietors made an offer of 4d per ton advance in the hewing rate.

Rain was falling last night in the western, central, and southern districts of this State.

General useful rains have fallen in South Australia. The crops will greatly benefit.

To-day's forecast:—Unsettled to showery and thundery over western districts, extending to parts of coast.

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MONGOLIA	10,000	C. F. Preston, R.N.R.	Jan. 4
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*MOLDAVIA	10,000	F. Gordon	March 28
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DUMBEA	Boyer	Dec. 3	[illegible]	[illegible]
VILLE DE LA CIOTAT	Barillon	Dec. 30	1908. Jan. 2.	1908. Jan. 4
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*SEYDLITZ	8,000	C. Dewers	Dec. 28
			1908.
*SCHARNHORST	8,131	L. Maass	Jan. 25
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*ORONTES	9023	Ruthven		Nov. 5	Nov. 7
*OPHIR	6814	Coad	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 21
OROYA	6297	Lawa	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 5
*ORTONA	8000	Collins	Dec. 14	Dec. 17	Dec. 19

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R.M.S.	Tons.	Date.	R.M.S.	Tons.	Date.
Orotava	5980	Feb. 5	*‡Asturias	12,500	Mar. 18
*†Orontes	9022	Feb. 19	*‡Ortona	8,000	Apr. 1
*‡Ophir	6814	Mar. 4	*‡Omrah	8,282	Apr. 15

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	1908.	1908.	
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For WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, DUNEDIN, BLUFF, HOBART, and MELBOURNE (transhipping to outports)—
MAHENO (Turbine Steamer), SATURDAY, November 2, at 1 p.m. (No Cargo received on sailing day).
WARRIMOO, SATURDAY, November 9, at 1 p.m.
TASMANIA.
For HOBART DIRECT—
OONAH, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, at noon; and November 26.
From Hobart—November 5, 19.
For LAUNCESTON, via EDEN—
WAKATIPU, WEDNESDAY, November 13, at 10 a.m.; and November 27.
From LAUNCESTON—November 6, 20.
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MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, Transhipping to Port Pirie. } KYARRA (Without Transhipment), SATURDAY, noon, November 2, and

ALBANY, Transhipping to HOPETOUN. FREMANTLE, Transhipping to PERTH, Geraldton, and North-West Ports. } KANOWNA (Without Transhipment), SATURDAY, noon, November 16, each 7000 tons, Twin Screws, Deck Cabins. Carrying First and Second Saloon and Steerage Passengers. Inspection invited. Early application for berths necessary.

BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH†, BUNDABERG†, GLADSTONE†, ROCKHAMPTON, TOWNSVILLE. } *MAREEBA (Cargo only), SATURDAY, Noon, Nov. 2. WYANDRA, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., November 5. *BUNINYONG, SATURDAY, Noon, November 9.

MACKAY, BOWEN, TOWNSVILLE, LUCINDA‡, GERALDTON‡, MOURILYAN‡, CAIRNS, PORT DOUGLAS, COOKTOWN. } WYANDRA, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., November 5. ARAMAC, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., November 12. ARAWATTA, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., November 19.

THURSDAY ISLAND, NORMANTON, BURKETOWN. } ARAMAC, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., November 12. (Transhipping at Brisbane.)

NOUMEA (if sufficient inducement offers), LAUTOKA, SUVA, LEVUKA, FIJI. } PILBARRA, WEDNESDAY, 5 p.m., November 27.

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BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, BUNDABERG, GLADSTONE, ROCKHAMPTON, MACKAY, TOWNSVILLE, and RIVER PORTS, to CAIRNS. } YONGALA, SATURDAY, Nov. 2, at 4 p.m. WOLLOWRA, SATURDAY, Nov. 9. INNAMINCKA, SATURDAY, Nov. 16.

FOR HOPETOUN, W.A. (Port for Ravensthorpe Goldfields). } The S.S. GRANTALA, leaving Sydney SATURDAY, November 9th, will connect with S.S. FLINDERS at Albany.

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Our Daily Special Line is made additionally attractive this morning by the fact that, as well as making our usual reduction, we are using it to clear a number of odd lines in Summer Helmets at a uniform price, consequently the reduction is larger than usual.
These Helmets are in various shapes, and some are pith and others straw. They are particularly suitable to wear just now, being light and cool for the warm weather, and most graceful when riding or driving. They were formerly priced at 7/9, 3/11, 4/6, 1/9, 4/11; but to-day any one of these may be bought for the above price—3/6.
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Orders by letter sent immediately on receipt of the newspapers announcing this Special Line will be executed at the advertised reduced price.

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We are offering some Special Values for a few days, consisting of Odd Dress Lengths and Exclusive Robe Lengths. The whole have been thoroughly overhauled in price and considerably reduced, and the prices marked should prove an irresistible temptation to ladies who appreciate a good article at a low price. There are quite a number of very exceptional prices, ranging from 5/6 the Dress Length, but among these are some which are "counter soiled."
For purposes of advertisement we enumerate those only which can be recommended as being in good condition.
As there is only one of the Dress Lengths mentioned, we cannot guarantee to execute Country Orders; but if a second choice is made every effort will be used to fulfil the order. The prices quoted for the Dress Length.

	Usually.	Now.
Beige Coloured Silk Voile	30/	15/11
Flesh-coloured Silk Voile	31/6	16/9
Pink Check Voile	39/6	19/11
Apricot Eolienne	35/	19/11
Grey Silk Crepoline	40/6	26/9
Cornflower Estrelia	45/9	27/6
Green Check Embroidered Spot Voile	50/6	27/6
Apricot Figured Eolienne	63/	27/9
Vieux Rose Check Voile	45/9	29/6
Turquoise Figured Silk Voile	47/	29/6
Beige Coloured Check Silk Voile	55/	29/6
Shadow Check Summer Suiting, Pastel Grey, Pastel Green	49/6	29/6
Copenhagen Silk Figured Voile	59/6	31/9
Apricot Silk Eolienne	63/	32/6
Check Voiles, large sections, Brown and White, Green and White, Black and White	49/6	32/9
Embroidered Spot, Large Check, Crepe Voile, in Grey and in Green	84/	33/6
Crocodile Silk Voile, in Pale Green and in Salmon	59/6	34/9
Cream Voile, Graduated Silk Spot, with Lace Applique	75/	35/
Cream Voile, Graduated Silk Figure	81/	35/6
Small Check Silk Crepoline, in Fawn, Grey, and Green	55/	39/6
Embroidered Wool Taffeta, in Pale Green, Cream, and Fawn, Embroidery consisting of neat open-work along one selvedge	67/6	39/6
Silk Eolienne, White Check, on Heliotrope, Turquoise, and Grey	69/6	40/
Drawn-thread Chiffon Voile, in Beige, Light Green, Pale Electric	98/6	44/
Gauze Voile, Embroidered Button Spot, in Green, Wedgewood, Apricot, Beige	84/	55/

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COMPRESSED FIBRE COSTUME TRUNKS, best quality, size 36 x 21 x 14 inches, with extra straps all round. Will fit under cabin berth or across the front of a cab	92/	84/
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WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, DUNEDIN, AND BLUFF, HOBART, and MELBOURNE (Transhipping to outports). } WIMMERA, SATURDAY, November 16, noon.

From MELBOURNE, via HOBART and BLUFF—WIMMERA, WEDNESDAY, December 4.
TASMANIA.
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RICHELIEU Shape, White, Gold Edge	6/3	7/9
HAWTHORN, Blue and Red	6/9	8/6
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MEETINGS.

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE. An Important Public Meeting will be held in the TOWN HALL, CHATSWOOD, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 1st November, under the auspices of the Sydney and North Shore Bridge League, with the object of adopting effective means to ensure commencement of building the proposed Bridge by an early date. All Citizens are cordially invited to attend and render any assistance they can to the efforts of the League. The President, Dr. Clarence Read, will preside, at 8 p.m. HUGH DUFF, Hon. Secretary.

WOMEN'S Central P.L.L., Organising Committee, Meeting, To-night, Trades Hall, S. E. Bethel, Sec.

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NEW SOUTH WALES BOWLING ASSOCIATION. NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING of the General Committee will be held at the Office of the Hon. Secretary, 103 Victoria Markets, Sydney, on FRIDAY NEXT, November 1st, at 8 p.m.
BUSINESS: Minutes of last meeting. Correspondence, Accounts, Reports, etc. Mr. COATES to move:—(1) "That with a view to encourage the Wednesday bowlers, a competition be instituted for a trophy, and the Pennant Committee be requested to draw up conditions for same, and entries be invited as soon as possible." (2) "That the Cup presented by Mr. Purves be set apart for the above competition." Mr. EVANS to move:—(1) "That affiliation is desirable with the Sports Club, and that the Hon. Sec. be empowered to take the necessary steps to carry this resolution into effect." (2) "That until otherwise ordered, the meetings of the Committee be held at the Sports Club." To arrange for regular dates of meetings. Any other business that may be brought forward. F. A. MORGAN, Hon. Secretary. Sydney, October 28th, 1907.

ST. JOSEPH'S INVESTMENT AND BUILDING SOCIETY. TAKE NOTICE that a Special MEETING of the Shareholders in the said Society will be held in the I.O.O.F. Temple, 128 Elizabeth-street South, on THURSDAY, the 31st day of OCTOBER, 1907, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to consider certain alterations in and additions to the Rules of the Society (of which notice has been sent to Shareholders) with respect to determining disputes by arbitration, or in ordinary course of law; lending money on ordinary mortgage; confining voting power to investing Shareholders; and consequential verbal alterations. A. J. STEPHENS, Manager. 87 Elizabeth-street, Sydney. October 16th, 1907.

ST. JOSEPH'S INVESTMENT AND BUILDING SOCIETY. NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-ninth ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Society will be held in the I.O.O.F. Temple, No. 128 Elizabeth-street South, at 8 o'clock on THURSDAY EVENING, the 31st day of OCTOBER, 1907, for the purpose of receiving the report and balance-sheet for the year ending the 30th September, 1907; for the election of one director in the place of John Donelan, Esq., J.P., who retires in accordance with the rules, but who is eligible for re-election; and for such other business as may be brought before the meeting. By order of the Board, A. J. STEPHENS, Manager. 87 Elizabeth-street, Sydney. October 16th, 1907.

John Donelan, Esq., J.P., has given the requisite notice that he is a candidate for re-election as director. A. J. STEPHENS, Manager. October 16th, 1907.

THE PERMANENT TRUSTEE COMPANY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, LIMITED. Notice is hereby given that a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of The Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited, will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 17 O'Connell-street, Sydney, on MONDAY, the eighteenth day of November, 1907, at noon, when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at a Special General Meeting of the Company, held on the 30th day of October last, will be submitted for confirmation.
RESOLUTION. "That the Articles of Association be altered by omitting from Clause 104 the word "two" in the second line and inserting therein the word "one" in its place." A. PERCEVAL BEDFORD, Manager. Sydney, 30th October, 1907.

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DRESSMAKING.—Wanted, Skirt Hand, Improvers, Apprentices. Madame Holmes, Burwood, nr. statn.

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LAD wanted, strike, smith's shop. Isaacs, 110 Redfern-st, Redfern.

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SECRETARY required for Butter Factory, about 100 miles from Sydney. Must have perfect knowledge of butter factory accounts, and be capable of drawing up company balance-sheets. Single man preferred. Apply in first instance, stating age, references, and salary, to FACTORY, Box 492, G.P.O., Sydney.

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TAILORESSES.—COAT HANDS wanted, also IMPROVERS. Ell, Newtown.

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TENDERS are invited for the POSITION of MEDICAL OFFICER to St. Mary's Branch, A.H.C. Guild, Crookwell. Tenders close on Saturday, November 9th, 1907, and are to be addressed to the undersigned, from whom all particulars can be obtained. Lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted. T. J. KENNEDY, Sec., Cotta Walla, Crookwell.

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WANTED, good Bricklayers. Apply Wakeford-rd, Strathfield. G. Halfacre.

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WANTED, Office LAD. Apply personally, 31 Castlereagh-st, city.

WANTED, first-class Watchmaker, country town in N.S.W. Apply Mainspring, Box 1664, G.P.O.

WANTED, smart resp. Lad. Between 9 and 10 o'clock, Barrios Diamond Co., 106 King st.

WANTED, smart JOINER or CABINETMAKER. 553A George-st, nr. Bathurst-st.

WANTED, Needlewoman, must be good machinist. Apply immed., 7 Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, intelligent BOY for office. State age and references, address Block, Herald, King-st.

WANTED, CARPENTER, reliable tradesman; also Improver; fare paid. State wages. Watts, Coolamon.

WANTED, 2 LADS, about 16, for woodworking depot, 1ts. Aust Brewery, Bourke-st, Waterloo.

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WANTED, a Labourer, one used to drainage, reference. H. B. Holt, Railway-par., Kogarah.

WANTED, a BRICKLAYER. Apply R. T. Milham, 2[illegible] Goulburn-st, Haymarket.

WANTED, LAD, used to painting. Cooper, 108 Pitt-st, opp. G.P.O.

WANTED, first-class COACH TRIMMER. Short Bros., 105 Rushcutter Bay.

WANTED, smart BRICKLAYER'S IMPROVER. Apply Pocock and Stevens, Hopetoun-av., Watson's Bay.

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WANTED, a BOY, for Agent's Office, one willing to learn preferred. Apply 984, Herald Office.

WANTED, SMART BOY, to assist Delivering Orders, good home. 235 Bourke-st, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, an attractive young Girl, for confectionery. 37 Oxford-st, near Mark Foy's.

WANTED, 35 smart GIRLS for pickle factory. Southern Cross Preserv. Co., 24 Campbell-st, Glebe.

WANTED, a MAN to work, kerb and guttering. Bet. 8-9 or 1-2, Hobson, 124 Cooper-st, Waterloo.

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WANTED, a good Paperhanger, small job. Macnamara's Hotel, Foveaux-st, Surry Hills, 8 o'c.

WANTED, CANVASSERS, salary and com., constant work live men. Bet. 9.30, 10 Bucknell-st, N'town.

WANTED, strong LAD, to apprentice to the baking trade. 91 Lord-st, Newtown.

WANTED, a small resp. BOY. J. Martin, 804 George-st, near Railway.

WANTED, first-class Coachsmith, used to general work. 1s per hour. A. Drayton, Richmond.

WANTED, LAD, used to plumber's mate. H. Evans, 486 Parramatta-rd, Petersham. Early.

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WANTED, BRICKLAYER. Electric Light Station, Pyrmont-st, Pyrmont.

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WANTED, Engineer's Improver, used pipework. Apply after 6.30 p.m., Stanmore Pres. Co., Stanmore.

WANTED, a good RUBBLE MASON. Apply at once, S. H. Reed, Alum's job, Chatswood.

WANTED, first-class Bodice and Blouse Hand; also Assistants, g. wages. Miss Glean, 12 Oxford-st.

WANTED, smart BOY, for Estate Agency, salary to commence, 5s. Apply Craggs, 475 Crown-st.

WANTED, Bricklayer's LABOURER, top wages good man. Cleveland and Billyard sts, Wahroonga.

WANTED, smart LAD, indoor work, good wages. Gardiner's Boot Emporium, 45 Regent-st, Redfern.

WANTED, BOY, used to the locksmith trade preferred. Apply by letter, A. B., Ashfield P.O.

WANTED, a BOY, for store. Oswald Haes, Electrical Engineer, 2 Hunter-st.

WANTED, a first-class FITTER. Apply early, A. Wildeen, Bedford-st, opp. Exhibition Building.

WANTED, a good Pipe-layer and Manhole Builder. Apply W. Barnfield and Son, Barker-st, Randwick.

WANTED, STONE BREAKERS. Cumberland and Little Essex sts.

WANTED, Smart BOY, for office. Apply Hydro Majestic, 38 Castlereagh st.

WANTED, Man, with experience of TRAWLING. Trawler, Post Office, Newcastle.

WANTED, Skate BOYS, Exhibition Building, Prince Alfred Park. Apply to-day, 10 a.m.

WANTED, for Clothing and Mercery, smart YOUTH, with 12 to 18 months' experience; must not be older than 17. Apply F. PERRY, Granville.

WANTED, YOUTH, with some knowledge of Shaw sharpening. Apply H. McKENZIE, Limited, Timber Merchants, Glebe Island.

WANTED, Respectable JUNIOR, with some office experience, for Retail Jewellery Establishment. Apply, stating age, etc., to JUNIOR, Box 241, G.P.O.

WANTED, SALESWOMAN, smart young LADIES, ASSISTANTS for our Underclothing Department. Apply Showroom, LASSETTER'S.

WANTED, MAN with expert knowledge, to supervise tannery, and attend private sales of leather. Apply Tannery, Herald Office.

WANTED, a LOADER-OUT from Open Kilns. Apply to THOS. PENDLEBURY, South Coast Dry Press and Firebrick Works, Bulli-Woonona.

WANTED, strong LAD, to work in blacksmith's shop; also Lad used to strike, for blacksmith. Apply 8 a.m., 105 Kent-street.

WANTED, first-class General WHEELWRIGHT, must be good on wheels, wages from 5s to 6s. A. BARNES, Bangalow.

WANTED, an experienced SHEEP BUYER, for Queensland. State age, salary required, and send copies of references to SHEEP BUYER, c.o. Sydney Morning Herald.

WANTED, Chair Frame Maker for New Zealand, gd. permanent situation to thorough competent man. Apply Fludder's, Bridge-road, Petersham, opp. Davies and Shephard, and near Parramatta-road.

WANTED, CORRESPONDENT for WEEKLY PAPER, one well up in bush life, in Northern South Australia, good opening for one able to write short stories on bush life. Apply T. M., G.P.O., Sydney.

WANTED, GANGER, to take charge of excavating work. Apply 10 a.m., 7 S. Per.-chambers, Pitt and Bathurst streets; or Parramatta Sewerage Works.

WANTED, a good strong healthy honest willing BOY, Protestant, as Apprentice to dairy farming, age 14 or 15. Apply to JOHN M'BROOM, Coopernook, Manning River.

WHEELWRIGHT, very easy place, 10s per day. BAKER'S Improver, able mould, 15s; call 11. GOVERNESS, for subsidised school, £35, keep. SIMMONDS' Labour Agency, 188 Castlereagh-st.

WINDOW-DRESSER wanted for City Drapery House. Apply by letter (confidential), stating experience and salary expected. Window, Herald Office, King-street.

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RELIGIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CHALMERS CHURCH (opposite Exhibition Building). Mr. SLOANE, Scotch Evangelist, THIS EVENING, at 8.

FRENCH Service, by Pastor Anderson, of London and Paris, next Sunday, 7.10 p.m., Queen's Hall.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL NOTICES.

MUNICIPALITY OF NEWTOWN. LIST OF ELECTORS. NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1906, LISTS OF ELECTORS are in course of preparation, and attention is called to Section 55 of the said Act, which provides that:—Oral Tenants cannot be enrolled if they fail to make a Statutory Declaration as to their tenancy on or before THURSDAY, the 14th NOVEMBER, 1907. (Declaration Forms may be had on application to the undersigned.) Joint Occupiers may, in writing, nominate one of their number as an elector. The Directors of any Public Company or body corporate may nominate the Manager, Secretary, or one of the Directors of such company or body corporate UNDER SEAL. A body of Trustees may nominate any one of such body. In each case Nominations must be in writing, and delivered to me on or before the 14th day of November, 1907. A. MACKINTOSH, Council Clerk. Town Hall, Newtown, 29th October, 1907.

FURNITURE, ETC.

HUMPHREY OXENHAM, AUCTIONEER, 245 and 247 PITT-STREET, near MARKET-STREET. OUTDOOR SALES CONDUCTED. 25 PER CENT. SAVED BY PURCHASING FURNITURE AT OXENHAM'S. Inspection invited before Buying Elsewhere.

FURNITURE ON TIME PAYMENT AT CASH PRICES. £5 worth, 5s deposit, 2s 6d weekly. £10 worth, 10s deposit, 3s 6d weekly. £15 worth, 20s deposit, 5s weekly. £20 worth, 30s deposit, 6s weekly. HOUSES FURNISHED TO £100 ON EASY TERMS. J. DEVENISH, 313 PITT-STREET, between Bathurst and Park streets. No Extra Charge for Terms. Wednesdays, close 1; Saturday, open till 10.

SYMONDS FURNISHING, LIMITED, CORDIALLY INVITES YOUR INSPECTION. ALL COME AND LOOK ROUND. YOU WON'T BE PRESSED TO BUY. FURNITURE OF EVERY KIND BOUGHT, SOLD, OR TAKEN IN EXCHANGE. OUR PRICES ARE THE LOWEST AND OUR STOCK THE BEST IN SYDNEY. OUR ONLY ADDRESS: 285 and 287 PITT-STREET, near PARK-ST.

BOOKCASE, TOILET PAIR, 4ft Dresser, Mangle, [illegible] Wardrobe, Hall Stand, Combination Chest, [illegible] Sideboard, Bedroom Suite, Tables and Chairs. ABOVE AT REDUCED PRICES. WOOLNOUGH, 299 Pitt-street.

FURNITURE SALE, for Cottage or Mansion, at old prices. Superb Drawing, Dining Room, Bedroom Suites, Handsome D. Bedsteads, Wire, rolled edge, Kapok Bed, 117s 6d. Cut. Desks. Elliott, 493 Geo. st.

CHAIRS.—Tremendous stock Austrian, from 5s; High-back American, Office [illegible]. Elliott, 493 Geo.-st.

SYMONDS, OXFORD-STREET, PADDINGTON, is the CHEAPEST PLACE for NEW and SECOND-HAND FURNITURE. CASH OR TERMS.

FOR SALE, FURNITURE, with sundries and Brass [illegible] D. Bed, complete. 256 St. John-rd, Forest Lodge.

FURNITURE, Pianos, etc., cash buyer, best prices. Walter, 140 Darlinghurst-rd. Tel., 65 Wm.-st.

FURNITURE, large or small lots, Pianos wanted for spot cash, no humbug or delay. Box 918, G.P.O.

SYMONDS, Oxford-st, Padd., gives highest price for second-hand Furniture. Large or small quantities.

GENTLEMAN wants House of FURNITURE, will pay cash. Kempsey, Herald, King-st.

ADVERTISER will buy for cash some second-hand Furniture, no dealers. J. T., P.O., Oxford-st, c.

FURNITURE, large or small lots; Pianos wanted, best price. J. L., 65 Cleveland-st, Redfern, M. pk.

YOUNG Couple will Buy House Furniture, cash, or part house. Apply 32 Oxford-st, Paddington.

WANTED, at once, Tenders for Purchase of Quantity FURNITURE, in one lot, including first-class Piano. 2 Nowranie-street, Summer Hill.

THE SYDNEY MAIL ANNUAL NOW ON SALE. ALL NEWSAGENTS. PRICE ONE SHILLING. THE FINEST PUBLICATION EVER ISSUED FROM THE SYDNEY MAIL OFFICE.

GRAHAM OF CLAVERHOUSE, IAN MACLAREN'S LAST STORY, BEGINNING IN THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

KOGARAH BAY.—WATER-FRONTAGE BLOCKS. Free Conveyances. Meet 1.40 train from Sydney at Kogarah, NEXT SATURDAY. R. and W., Ltd.

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AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 10.30 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, commencing with Turnouts, followed by specially advertised lots, as under:—

AT 11 A.M.

On account of Owner.
Chestnut Gelding, 15 hands, reliable in harness, any trial given, Dogcart and Harness, making a first-class lot.
On account of Mr. S. Vernon.
Brown Active Draught Gelding, 7 yrs., any trial, Square Springvan, and Set of (S.M.) Harness, in good repair.
On account of Mr. J. Fitts.
Black Gelding, thoroughly quiet, broken to saddle and harness, Sulky and Harness, making a neat turnout.

AT 11.30 A.M.

On account of Mr. A. Moore, Windsor.
Black Mare, any trial, suit a van.
On account of Owner.
Handsome Chestnut Gelding, 16 hands, thoroughly broken to harness, trial given, suit a private gentleman.
On account of Mr. G. H. Goodwin.
Pair of Bay Geldings, about 15 hands, broken to single and double harness, stanch and reliable; also an active Bay Gelding, any trial, suit a merchant's van.
On account of Messrs. Craig and Aitken.
Bay Gelding, thoroughly broken to harness, and used to the city.
On account of Mr. C. A. Pyke.
Well-bred Bay Gelding, 15.2, broken to saddle and harness, fast and stylish, and used to town.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.

INGLIS AND SON'S RAILWAY STOCK SALEYARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell as above, on account of Messrs. D. Buffier, M'Intosh Bros., and other owners,
60 First-class Milch Cows, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.

13 CHOICE COWS, FROM GOULBURN.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Dunn, Goulburn, to sell by auction, at their Railway Stock Saleyards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12.30 o'clock,
12 Milch Cows, newly calved (with calves at foot, described as a first-class lot.

MILCH COW AND CALF.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. T. Foran to sell by auction, at their Railway Stock Saleyards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11 a.m.,
First-class Milch Cow, with calf at foot, good milker.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS,

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 2 P.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above—
On account Tubbo Estate, Ltd., Whitton:
20 High-class, well-bred Horses, principally 4 to 6 years old, 10 of which are by the thoroughbred sire Lord Randolph from thoroughbred mares, all broken to saddle, worthy the special attention of racing men, private gentlemen, and others; the balance comprise some good Draught Colts and Fillies, and strong useful Harness Horses, broken and unbroken.
Included in the lot is brown gelding Shilock, full brother to Finnigan, winner of many races, also bay gelding Walter, 5 years old, stylish mover in saddle and harness. Bay Mare, 6 yrs. old, by trotting stallion Vancleve; also a reliable and quiet Chestnut Buggy Gelding, by Associate.
On account of Shellharbour Municipal Council.
Heavy Draught Gelding, 4 yrs., thoroughly stanch, will work in plough or dray.
On account of Mrs. Thorn, Castle Hill.
Black Mare, broken to saddle, single and double harness.
On account of Mr. H. Hannan, Guildford.
Bay Gelding, 6 yrs., broken to saddle and harness.
On account of Mr. A. Ringstad.
Dappled Grey Draught Gelding, broken to single and double harness, used to plough and dray.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE.

SATURDAY NEXT, NOVEMBER 2, AT 11.30 A.M. SHARP.

300 HEAD. 300 HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction as above. The following are the particulars of the various lots advised up to the present:—
100 Heifers and Steers, 6 months to 3 years old
15 Springing Cows and Heifers, from Parkes, in forward condition
20 Newly-calved Cows and Heifers, with calves at foot
20 Springing Cows and Heifers, from local dairies
35 Head, comprising 25 Store Cows, balance Steers and Heifers, 9 months to 2½ years
25 Good Store Cows, in forward condition
10 Good Dairy Heifers, 1 to 2 years old
10 Steers, 9 to 12 months old
5 First-class Springing Cows (on second calf), 6 weeks off calving
40 choice Dairy Heifers, 2½ to 3 years old
35 Head, comprising 25 good Dairy Heifers, 12 to 15 months old, and 10 Springing Heifers, 2½ years old.

TRAIN leaves Sydney at 10.15 a.m., returning at 2.48 and 6.47 p.m.

BAZAAR SALE.

ARCADIA STABLES, 127 CASTLEREAGH-STREET.

I intend holding my Next Sale at above address on THURSDAY NEXT, NOVEMBER 7th.
Owners wishing to offer their Horses, Vehicles, etc., on that date kindly send full particulars at once, to enable me to advertise and advise Buyers.
Account Sales paid in cash day after sale.
J. H. BEALE, AUCTIONEER.
Telephone, 4798. 127 CASTLEREAGH-STREET.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.
THE SYDNEY PRODUCE SELLING BROKERS will offer Catalogues TO-DAY as under—
At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place,
HAIR, HORNS, and SUNDRIES, at 10 a.m.
TALLOW, at 2.30 p.m.

WOOL SALES.

SALES BY AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, THURSDAY, at the SYDNEY WOOL EXCHANGE, BRIDGE-STREET, at 3 p.m., as under:—
Pastoral Finance Assocn., Ltd., 5085 bales.
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., 3792 bales.

WAVERLEY.

UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M.
Under instructions from Mrs. GUY, at her Residence,
WAIHEMO, 5 MACPHERSON-STREET, WAVERLEY.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, including
Table Appointments, Carpets, Linoleum
SIDEBOARD, EXTENSION DINING TABLE
Cane-seat Dining Chairs, Rattan Occl. Chairs
MASSIVE GILT PIER GLASS.
BOUDOIR GRAND PIANOFORTE, in Ebonised Case, by the Celebrated Maker Stolle
Superior Organ, in Walnut Case, by the New England Organ Company, in good order.
WATER-COLOUR DRAWINGS, OIL PAINTINGS
HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITE.
Double and Single Brass-mounted Bedsteads
QUANTITY of LINEN, BLANKETS, QUILTS
Sewing Machine, Filter, Clocks, Ornaments
Kitchen Furniture, Cooking Utensils.

MESSRS. H. AND A. LAWSON,
HARRY LAWSON, AUCTIONEER,
12 POST OFFICE-CHAMBERS,
Opp. G.P.O., Pitt-street. TEL., 1367.

TO HAIRDRESSERS AND TOBACCONISTS.
THIS DAY, AT 11,
AT 354 GEORGE-STREET WEST, near Harris-street.
IMPORTANT AND UNRESERVED SALE OF STOCK-IN-TRADE OF TOBACCONIST.
2 Latest Improved Barbers' Chairs, New.
5 Large Mirrors, Shampoo Basin, Tobacco Cutters.
Glasscases, Counters, Fittings.
Tobacco, Cigars, Linoleum, Aust. Chairs.
Will be offered in one line; if not sold, in lots.
RENT, £1 PER WEEK.
GOOD CHANCE FOR BARBER STARTING BUSINESS.

MITCHELL AND CRANSTON, Auctioneers.
TO BROKERS AND PARTIES FURNISHING.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11,
AT 112 ABERCROMBIE-STREET, CITY.
IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS.
DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, OVERMANTELS, WHATNOTS
SIDEBOARD, CARPET, LINOLEUMS, OLEOGRAPHS.
2 SEWING MACHINES, COUCHES, several TABLES.
20 Austrian Chairs, Mirrors, Fenders, Irons.
Double, ¾, and Single Iron Bedsteads.
Combinations, C. Drawers, Toiletware.
KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY REQUISITES.
CHOICE LOT CUTGLASS WARE, CUTLERY.

MITCHELL AND CRANSTON.
See To-morrow's Herald.
ASHFIELD AND DISTRICT.
BUILDING MATERIALS. BUILDING MATERIALS.
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
NEXT SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AT 2.30, on the Site,
corner LIVERPOOL-ROAD and BRUCE-STREET, near the BRIDGE, ASHFIELD.
Demolition of a large 7-roomed Cottage, comprising:—
100 Sheets splendid Galvanised Iron, 6 to 9 feet.
3000ft of 6 x 2½ H'WOOD JOISTS.
2000ft of 4 x 2½, 3 x 2, 3 x 1 H'WOOD.
6000ft GRAND FLOORING and LINING BOARDS.
Beautiful PANEL DOORS, with Jamb complete.
MODERN BOXFRAMES and SASHES, CASEMENTS.
REGISTER GRATES and MANTELS, ARCHITRAVES, SKIRTING.
WATER AND GAS PIPES, COPPER, BATHS, etc.

A. BARNETT will sell as above, WITHOUT RESERVE.
All the above Materials are of A1 quality.

CLEARANCE AUCTION SALE.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
ON THE PREMISES, No. 356 PITT-STREET, NEAR LIVERPOOL-STREET.

JAMES COWAN, acting under instructions from B. PHILLIPS, Mechanical Engineer.
In Consequence of Removing from the above Address, The UNDERMENTIONED MACHINERY, in STORAGE, will be sold,
12-H.P. CROSSLEY GAS ENGINE.
5-H.P. CROSSLEY GAS ENGINE.
12-H.P. NEW ELECTRIC IGNITION GAS ENGINE.
4-H.P. GROB OIL ENGINE.
6IN. GAP-BED SCREW-CUTTING LATHE, 12 feet Bed, with all appurtenances, complete.
5½IN. HOLLOW SPINDLE GAP-BED SCREW-CUTTING LATHE, 7 feet Bed.
HAND-POWER PUNCHING MACHINE.
PULLIES, FLY WHEELS, and Sundries.
TERMS CASH.

KOGARAH BAY.—WATER-FRONTAGE BLOCKS. Free Conveyances. Meet 1.40 train from Sydney at Kogarah, NEXT SATURDAY. R. and W., Ltd.

UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,

1st NOVEMBER, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

AT THE AUCTION SALE ROOMS of

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,

128-130 PITT-STREET, near KING-STREET.

SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,
Removed from a Residence at Hunter's Hill, by order of the Executor in a Deceased Estate, and on account of Various Interests, including
MISCELLANEOUS TABLE APPOINTMENTS, in Glassware, China, Cutlery, and Electroplate.
ROYAL AXMINSTER AND BRUSSELS CARPETS, of the Finest Quality and in excellent preservation.
MASSIVE DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, including
LARGE MAHOGANY SIDEBOARD, size 6 feet.
SEVERAL SUBSTANTIAL DINING SUITES, in Mahogany, Walnut, and Oak.
HALL AND LIBRARY APPOINTMENTS, HANDSOME DRAWING-ROOM CABINETS, VALUABLE PICTURES and ORNAMENTS, OCCASIONAL TABLES and CHAIRS.
SUPERB LIPP PIANOFORTE,
IN WALNUT CASE, A VERY FINE INSTRUMENT. Can be highly recommended.
Also,
ROSEWOOD UPRIGHT PIANOFORTE, by Harold and Denson, Limited, London, and
SEVERAL INSTRUMENTS BY THE FIRST MAKERS.
CHIPPENDALE BEDROOM SUITES, DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, and
GENERAL HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES.
COMBINATION BILLIARD AND DINING TABLE, and Appurtenances complete.
SEVERAL IRON SAFES.
A THEODOLITE
(SIX-INCH TRANSIT), by TROUTIN and SIMS.
Several Phonographs, Graphophones, and Gramophones, etc., etc., etc.
NOW ON VIEW.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FURNITURE AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, near KING-STREET.
TELEPHONE NO., 2056.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M., AT OUR CENTRAL MART,
140 CASTLEREAGH-ST, CITY.
LADIES' ASSORTED MOIRETTE UNDERSKIRTS, Aprons, Chemises, Combinations, Pinafores.
Men's and Youths' Trousers, Neckties, Undershirts.
Tablecovers, Tray Cloths, ½-Hose.
ONE CASE OF DOLLS, WALKING STICKS, RAZORS, STUDS, NECKLACES, COMBS, ALBERTS, Watches, ORNAMENTS, PINS, LINKS, etc., etc.
Also,
20 PCS. SATIN VENISE MOIRETTE.
20 pieces Silesia, 14 pcs Pongee Prints.
Quantity of Straw Hats, etc., etc.
BARNARD AND CO. will sell by auction, as above.
POSITIVELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

NORTH SYDNEY.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M. SHARP, On the Premises,
WILLOUGHBY-STREET, MILSON'S POINT.
FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.
WALNUT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANO, "Kempthal."
DRAWING AND DINING ROOM SUITES.
AUSTRIAN, RATTAN, AND WICKER FURNITURE.
DINNER WAGGON, WALNUT OVERMANTELS, Pictures.
Electroplated Ware, China, Glassware, Cutlery.
NEW HOME DROPHEAD SEWING MACHINE.
LINOLEUMS, CARPETS, DRAPES, MATS, RUGS.
ICECHEST, VERANDAH AND GARDEN SEATS.
WALNUT HALL FURNITURE.
ALL-BRASS 4ft 6in ITALIAN BEDSTEAD, furnished with best quality Bedding.
6ft WALNUT FINISHED BEDROOM SUITE.
Beaconsfield Bedroom Suite, Combination Chests.
Double and Single Bedsteads, with Bedding.
PATENT ROLLER MANGLE. Glass Enclosed Dresser.
HOUSEHOLD AND LAUNDRY UTENSILS.
Also,
WRITING TABLE, IRON SAFE ON STAND.
COPYING PRESS, OFFICE CHAIR, Office Sundries.
TWO GALVANISED IRON SHEDS, 20 x 16.
Bottles, Spirits, Polishes, and Sundries.
BARNARD AND CO. will sell by auction as above, WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST RESERVE.
Auc. Offices: 140 Castlereagh-street.

NORTH SYDNEY.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
On the Premises,
"CORSTORPHINE," 373 ALFRED-STREET,
near Bent-street, between Ridge and Hampden streets.
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, under instructions from the Owner, who is relinquishing housekeeping.
PIANO, in Walnut Case, by Schmidt.
Handsome Sideboard, Secretaire Bookcase, Dining Table, Chairs, Couch, etc; Overmantel, Pierglass, Hall Stand.
BEDROOM SUITE, Comb. Chests of Drawers, Wardrobe, Single and ¾ Bedsteads and Bedding, Washstands and Ware, Toilet Tables and Mirrors.
Carpets, Floor Coverings, Glassware, Cutlery, Crockery, Dresser, Books, Sewing Machine, Garden Tools, quantity of Wire Netting and Timber, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.
Also, HOUSEHOLD LINEN, Silver English Lever Watch and Chain, Silver Cigar-holder etc, etc.
CLARKE AND SOLOMONS, Auctioneers, Walker and Blue streets, North Sydney, will sell as above.

THIS DAY, OCTOBER 31st, AT 10 A.M.
AT THE CENTRAL AUCTION ROOMS, 274 PITT-STREET.
Under instructions from
THE CURATOR OF INTESTATE ESTATES, in a number of Estates, as advertised in this paper of the 26th inst.,
A VERY LARGE QUANTITY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS.
Women's Wearing Apparel, including Silk, Muslin, Linen, and Stuff Dresses, Skirts, Blouses, Petticoats, Wrappers, Underclothing, Corsets, Aprons, Gloves, Lace and Silk Shawls and Scarfs, Opera Mantles, etc.
Men's Clothing, including Dress, Walking, and Sac Suits, Overcoats, Macintoshes, Coats, Trousers, and Vests; White, Soft, and Tennis Shirts; Woollen and Cotton Underwear, Pyjama Suits, Collars, Ties, Hats, Shoes, Boots, Slippers, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Gloves, etc.
Brushware, Razors, Revolvers, Mirrors, Clocks, Scissors, Knives, Surgical Instruments, Tools, Field and Opera Glasses, Gold Scales, Ornaments, Plaques, Emu Eggs.
Picturesque Atlas, Medical and other Books.
LARGE TELESCOPE IN CASE.
Winchester Rifle, Sextant.
Electric Batteries and Electric Fan.
Violin in Case, Mandolin, Polyphon.
Two Hand Sewing Machines.
Skin Rugs, Blankets, Towels, Table and Tray Covers, White China Silk in piece.
A FIRST-CLASS ASSORTMENT OF BAGS, Kit, Gladstone, Hand, and Canvas.
Leather, Wooden, Cane, Tin, Saratoga, and Wooden Trunks and Boxes.
Leather Suit Cases and Portmanteaux.
Leather and Tin Hat Boxes, Carryalls, and a great number of Miscellaneous Articles too numerous to particularise.

A. G. JENKINS will sell as above THIS MORNING.
N.B.—In consequence of the unusually large number of Lots, Sale will start at 10 sharp.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 11 O'CLOCK,
ON THE PREMISES, 52 OXFORD-STREET (opposite Gardiner's Boot Mart).
ORLANDO I. KEMPTHORNE has received instructions from Mr. ELL (the Mighty Tailor) to sell as above,
OWING TO EXPIRATION OF LEASE,
The Whole of his stock of ENGLISH and COLONIAL TWEEDS, most of which are in cut lengths.
Also,
CHAIRS, TABLES, STEPS, etc.
NO RESERVE.
Mr. ELL will continue on with his Newtown Business.
ORLANDO I. KEMPTHORNE, AUCTIONEER, 289 PITT-STREET.

TO BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, METAL BUYERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M., on the Premises,
at the rear of 64 MACLEAY-STREET, POTTS POINT.
ENTRANCE: GATEWAY, ELIZABETH BAY-ROAD.
½-ton OLD LEAD, MUNTZ METAL, BRASS.
MARBLE MANTEL, CHANDELIERS, GAS FITTINGS.
GAL. IRON, Cisterns, Baths, Grates.
GAS and WATER PIPING, Sinks, Stone Steps.
REFRIGERATOR, Ice Chest, Cedar Doors and Sashes.
CANE LOUNGES and CHAIRS, Linoleum, Carpets.
A quantity of TIMBER and other USEFUL ARTICLES.

HYAM HAINS has received positive instructions from A. A. HOLLANDER, Esq., to sell the above ARTICLES, which have accumulated owing to extensive and modern alteration of premises.
ABSOLUTELY NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.
AUCTIONEER'S OFFICES: 248 PITT-ST. 'Phone, 2547.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE OF DIAMOND JEWELLERY, HIGH-CLASS WATCHES, etc.
THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK, AT THE AUCTION ROOMS, 247A PITT-STREET.
SINGLE-STONE, HALF-HOOP, and CLUSTER DIAMOND RINGS.
DIAMOND BROOCHES, BRACELETS, and EARRINGS.
Gold Alberts, Muff Chains, Links, and Solitaires.
GOLD and SILVER CHRONOGRAPHS.
DIAMOND BREASTPINS, STUDS, and LOCKETS.
GOLD and SILVER LEVER and WALTHAM WATCHES.
Diamond, Signet, Keeper, and Wedding Rings.

JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions from Mr. Joe Davis, of the Cambridge Loan Office, 28 Park-street, city, to sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the whole of the unredeemed Jewellery as above.

TRAM AT ARNCLIFFE.

On November the 8th the first sod of the tramline from Arncliffe to Bexley will be turned by Mr. Lee, the Minister for Works, and just a week previous to the ceremony—namely, the day after to-morrow (Saturday, November 2)—an opportunity will be given you of securing a nice section of land at Arncliffe, at your own price, on terms of £1 down, 10s month. Once you have the land, it won't be long before you own your home. On this date, Nov. 2, we are auctioning the Bardwell Park Estate, situated right on the Arncliffe Heights, a fine healthy spot but 10 minutes' walk from station, with gas and water available. Every lot we offer we guarantee to sell. Arncliffe is but five miles from Sydney, 20 minutes' train run, and the special workmen's tickets at 1s 9d weekly make living there extremely reasonable. A good class of people is to be found at Arncliffe, and the homes will favourably compare with almost any suburb wherein the average artisan can afford to dwell. The Bardwell Park Lots have also a big prospective value, for the tram from Arncliffe Station along Wollongong-road will pass within 100 yards of Estate, and that before long, for, as we said before, the first sod of the line will be turned by the Minister at Bexley on November 8. Reserve this Saturday, Nov. 2, for it is the day you will secure your home site. Catch the 1.57 train from Sydney, and you will have ample time to look the lots over. Plans of Bardwell Park may be obtained from

ARTHUR RICKARD & CO., LTD.,

84B PITT-STREET, AUCTIONEERS AND REALTY SPECIALISTS.

ORDER OF SALE.
SHARE and PROPERTIES to be submitted by PUBLIC AUCTION, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., by HUGH DUFF and CO., at THEIR SALEROOMS, 283 GEORGE-STREET.
SHARE.—One CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.
WOLLSTONECRAFT, 2 minutes from station, SELWYN-STREET.—BRIER COURT, CHARMING RESIDENCE, containing wide hall, DRAWING-ROOM, large DINING-ROOM, breakfast-room, 7 BEDROOMS, kitchen, bathroom, all offices, finished in very best style throughout, marble mantels and gas fires, nearly ¾ an acre of land, laid out in TENNIS LAWN, FLOWER and VEGETABLE GARDENS.
EASTWOOD.—FOR POSITIVE SALE, SHAFTESBURY-ROAD, 5 minutes from station, 2 det. Brick Cottages, each 6 large rooms, kitchen, pantry, laundry, bathroom. Land 51 x 165 each. Title Torrens. Easy Terms.
HUGH DUFF and CO., 283 George-street.

ORDER OF SALE.
SHARES, CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES, to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, At the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m. TO-MORROW (FRIDAY).
SHARES.—Civil Service Co-op. of N.S. Wales.
DARLINGHURST.—Two Houses, Nos. 292 and 294 Victoria-street, between Upper William-street South and Surrey-street.
SURRY HILLS.—House, No. 5 Bellevue-street, off Albion-street.
REDFERN.—Business Premises, No. 182 Abercrombie-street, east of Shepherd-street.
GLEBE POINT.—Two Houses, Nos. 46 and 48 Hereford-street, west of Glebe-road.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Residence, Braeside, Fitzroy-street, Executor's Sale.
DITTO.—Residence, Keira, Fitzroy and Carabella-streets. Executor's Sale.
DITTO.—Residence, Rosythe, Carabella-street. Executor's Sale.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ACCOUNTS with plans of distribution in the undermentioned Estates, showing dividends as specified, are now filed in the Office of the Registrar in Bankruptcy, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, for the inspection of persons interested. And NOTICE is hereby given that such Accounts and plans will be submitted to the Court for confirmation on THURSDAY, 14th November, 1907, at 11 a.m., if not previously objected to:—
WILLIAM GLUVAS, trading as "The Australian Oil Company, of 13 Milelrs-road, Miller's Point (No. 17,153), a second account and second plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 20s (twenty shillings) in the £ on 15 (fifteen) claims proved since the filing of the first account, and a balance of £7 4s carried forward to the credit of the estate.
JOHN JAMES PARSONS, of Florida, near Cobar, Wood Carter (No. 17,450), a first account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 1s 11 3-16d (one shilling and eleven pence three-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.
THOMAS PRICE, trading as "Price and Company," of Rocky Point-road, Rockdale, and 114 King-street, Sydney, Tailor (No. 16,850), a second account and second plan of distribution showing payment of an equalising dividend of 7s (seven shillings) in the £ on two claims lodged since the filing of the first account, one preferential claim in full, and a dividend of 6¾d (sixpence three-farthings) in the £ on all proved concurrent claims.
THOMAS KINNINMONT, of Fitzroy-avenue, Balmain, Civil Servant (No. 15,045), a sixth account and fifth plan of distribution showing payment of an equalising dividend of 7s 0 11-16d (seven shillings and eleven-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on one claim proved since the filing of the fifth account and a dividend of 2s 0 9-16d (two shillings and nine-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.
JAMES MURDOCK, of Junee, Hotelkeeper (No. 8662), a third account and first plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 1s 3¼d (one shilling and threepence half-penny) in the £ on one proved preferential claim only.
GERTRUDE CLARA WOODHOUSE, of Campbelltown, Widow (No. 4122) a nineteenth account and nineteenth plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 6½d (sixpence half-penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts, and a balance of £50 12s 4d carried forward to the credit of the estate.
Also, an account current only in the undermentioned estate:—
17,442. RICHARD BEAMAN, of 102 Wells-street, Redfern, Labourer.
WILLIAM HARRINGTON PALMER, Official Assignee.
47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, 30th October, 1907.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of CHARLES MOORE, late of Parramatta, in the State of New South Wales, Member of the Legislative Council, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that the 12th Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-seventh day of November next, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executors. Dated this thirtieth day of October, in the year 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. J. STUART THOM, BROS., and CO., Proctors for Executors, 9 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ANNIE McANDREW, late of 45 Edward-street, Pyrmont, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any debt or claim upon or affecting the Estate of the late ANNIE McANDREW, the abovenamed deceased, who died on or about the twenty-first day of July, 1907, and Probate of whose Will was granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Probate Jurisdiction on the twenty-third day of September, 1907, to ANDREW HOUISON, of Phillip-street, Sydney, and WILLIAM BRYSON, of Pyrmont, the Executors named in the said Will, are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the said Executors at the office of their Proctors, DEANE and DEANE, 83 Rowe-street, Sydney, on or before the thirteenth day of December next, at the expiration of which time the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the debts and claims only of which they shall then have had notice; and the said Executors will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this thirtieth day of October, 1907. DEANE and DEANE, Proctors for the said Executors, 83 Rowe-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES WILSON THOMPSON, late of Upholland, in the county of Lancaster, in England, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that the Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased, in His Majesty's High Court of Justice, in the District Registry of Liverpool, to WILLIAM HARRIS THOMPSON, may be sealed by this Honourable Court; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. PIGOTT and STINSON, Proctors for Attorneys for Executor, 28 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ROGER HOPE EDWARD UPTON, late of Turanville, near Scone, in the State of New South Wales, Station Manager, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARGARET EMMA UPTON, the Widow the said deceased. All Accounts against the said Estate must be sent to the undersigned within the said fourteen days. And all Notices in the said Estate may be served at the office of the undersigned. JOHN ABBOTT KINGSMILL SHAW, Proctor for the said Administratrix, Scone. Agents, ABBOTT, TOUT, and CO., 14 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of GEORGE NUNN, late of Newtown, Sydney, formerly of Dennykymine, near Merrygoen, Grazier, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Codicil thereto, of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GEORGE CHARLES NUNN and REUBEN LEADER, the Executors named in the said Will; and all Notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. CHARLES DEVENISH MEARES, Proctor for the said Executors, Market-street, Mudgee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS LOCKWOOD COOPER, of Bolwer-street, West Maitland, Butcher, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to AGNES ELIZABETH COOPER and MAUDE SPENCER COOPER, Executrices named in the said Will; and all Notices may be served at the undersigned address. AGNES ELIZABETH COOPER, Bolwer-street, West Maitland.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS HENRY ALBON, late of Orange, in the State of New South Wales, Engine Driver, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY ANN ALBON, the Executrix named in the said Will; and all Notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. MARY ANN ALBON, Hill-street, Orange.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of COLIN BLEAZARD, late of Loma Loma, Fiji, Methodist Minister, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN WILLIAM COLLIER and EDWARD HENRY FOUNTAIN, the Executors named in the said Will; and all Notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. CLARENCE H. COOKE, Proctor for the Executors, Dixson-buildings, 64 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ANNIE ELIZA STEER, late of Rankin's Springs, in the State of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FRED. STEER, the Husband of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at, and all claims are to be sent in before the expiration of the said fourteen days to, the offices of the undersigned. JOHN HORATIO CLAYTON, Proctor for the Applicant, 164 Pitt-street, Sydney.

CALLS AND DIVIDENDS ON SHARES.

THE PREMIER GOLD MINING CO., NO LIABILITY. Marshall-street, Cobar, Oct. 25th, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that a CALL, the 8th, of 1½d per share, has been made, due and payable to F. M. SCOTT, at the Registered Office of the Company, Marshall-street, Cobar, on NOV. 13th, 1907.
By order of the Board,
J. M. SCOTT, Legal Manager.

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By Order of the Board,
W. H. HUSSEY, Secretary.
1 and 3 Broken Hill-chambers, Adelaide, October 21st, 1907.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF FOURACRE BROS., STOREKEEPERS, BOWLING ALLEY POINT AND WOOLOMIN, N.S.W.
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THOS. WELSBY, Secretary.

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THE BROKEN ROAD.

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CHAPTER XXXI.—Continued.

He halted again, but this time his eyes, instead of roving over the valley, were fixed intently upon one particular spot. Under the wall of the great ruined building he had seen something move. He made sure now of what the something was. There were half a dozen horses—no, seven—seven horses tethered apart from each other, and not a syce for any one of them. Captain Phillips felt his blood quicken. The Khan's expectations, Dadu's startled question, had primed him to expectation. Cautiously he rode down into the valley, and suspense grew upon him as he rode. It was a still, windless day, and noise carried far. The only sound he heard was the sound of the stones rattling under the hoofs of his horse. But in a little while he reached turf and level ground, and so rode forward in silence. When he was within a couple of hundred yards of the ruin he halted and tied up his horse in a grove of trees. Then he walked across an open space, passed beneath the remnant of a gateway into a court, and, crossing the court, threaded his way through a network of narrow alleys between crumbling mud walls. As he advanced the sound of a voice reached his ears—a deep monotonous voice, which spoke with a kind of rhythm. The words Phillips could not distinguish, but there was no need that he should. The intonation, the flow of the sentences, told him clearly enough that somewhere beyond was a man praying. And then he stopped, for other voices broke suddenly in with loud and, as it seemed to Phillips, with fierce appeals. But the appeals died away, the one voice again took up the prayer, and again Phillips stepped forward.

At the end of the alley he came to a doorway in a high wall. He stood in the doorway and looked in. He looked into a court open to the sky, and the seven horses and the monotonous voice were explained to him. There were seven young men—nobles of Chiltistan, as Phillips knew from their choyas of velvet and Chinese silk—gathered in the court. They were kneeling with their backs towards him and the doorway, so that not one of them had noticed his approach. They were facing a small rough-hewn obelisk of stone which stood at the head of a low mound of earth at the far end of the court. Six of them grouped in a sort of semi-circle, and the seventh, a man clad from head to foot in green robes, a little in advance and alone. But from none of the seven nobles did the voice proceed. In front of them all knelt an old man in the brown homespun of the people. Phillips, from the doorway, could see his great beard wagging as he prayed, and knew him for one of the incendiary priests of Chiltistan.

The prayer was one with which Phillips was familiar: The day was at hand; the infidels would be scattered as chaff; the God of Mohammed was besought to send the innumerable company of his angels, and to make his faithful people invulnerable to wounds. Phillips could have gone on with the prayer himself had the mullah failed. But it was not the prayer which held him rooted to the spot, but the setting of the prayer.

The scene was in itself no doubt strange and significant enough. These seven gaily robed youths assembled secretly in a lonely and desolate ruin nine miles from Kohara had come thither not merely for prayer. The prayer would but be the seal upon a compact, the blessing upon an undertaking where life and death were the issues. But there was something more; and that something more gave to the scene in Phillips' eyes a very startling irony. He knew well how quickly in these countries the actual record of events is confused, and how quickly any tomb or any monument becomes a shrine before which "the faithful" will bow and make their prayer. But that here of all places, and before this tomb of all tombs, the God of the Mohammedans should be invoked—this was life turning playwright with a vengeance. It needed just one more detail to complete the picture, and the next moment that detail was provided. For Phillips moved.

His boot rattled upon a loose stone. The prayer ceased, the worshippers rose abruptly to their feet, and turned as one man towards the doorway. Phillips saw, face to face, the youth robed in green who had knelt at the head of his companions. It was Shere Ali, the Prince of Chiltistan.

Phillips advanced at once into the centre of the group. He was wise enough not to hold out his hand lest it should be refused. But he spoke as though he had taken leave of Shere Ali only yesterday.

"So your Highness has returned?"

"Yes," replied Shere Ali, and he spoke in the same indifferent tone.

But both men knew, however unconcernedly they spoke, that Shere Ali's return was to be momentous in the history of Chiltistan. Shere Ali's father knew it too, that troubled man in the Palace above Kohara.

"When did you reach Kohara?" Phillips asked.

"I have not yet been to Kohara. I ride down from here this afternoon."

Shere Ali smiled as he spoke, and the smile said more than the words. There was a challenge, a defiance in it, which were unmistakable. But Phillips chose to interpret the words quite simply.

"Shall we go together?" he said, and then he looked towards the doorway where the others were gathered. "But you have friends, I see," he added grimly. He began to wonder whether he would himself ride back to Kohara that afternoon.

"Yes," replied Shere Ali quietly, "I have friends in Chiltistan," and he laid a stress upon the name of his country, as though he wished to show Captain Phillips that he recognised no friends outside its borders.

Again Phillips's thoughts were swept to the irony, the tragic irony, of the scene in which he now was called to play a part.

"Does your Highness know this spot?" he asked, suddenly. Then he pointed to the tomb and the rude obelisk. "Does your Highness know whose bones are laid at the foot of that monument?"

Shere Ali shrugged his shoulders.

"Within these walls, in one of these roofless rooms, you were born," said Phillips, "and that grave before which you prayed is the grave of a man named Luffe, who defended this fort in those days."

"It is not," replied Shere Ali. "It is the tomb of a saint," and he called to the mullah for corroboration of his words.

"It is the tomb of Luffe. He fell in this courtyard, struck down not by a bullet, but by overwork and the strain of the siege. I know. I have the story from an old soldier whom I met in Cashmere this summer, and who served here under Luffe. Luffe fell in this court, and when he died was buried here."

Shere Ali, in spite of himself, was beginning to listen to Captain Phillips's words.

"Who was the soldier?" he asked.

"Colonel Dewes."

Shere Ali nodded his head as though he had expected the name. Then he said as he turned away:

"What is Luffe to me? What should I know of Luffe?"

"This," said Phillips, and he spoke in so arresting a voice that Shere Ali turned again to listen to him. "When Luffe was dying, he uttered an appeal—he bequeathed it to India, as his last service; and the appeal was that you should not be sent to England, that neither Eton nor Oxford should know you, that you should remain in your own country."

The Resident had Shere Ali's attention now.

"He said that?" cried the Prince in a startled voice. Then he pointed his finger to the grave. "The man lying there said that?"

"Yes."

"And no one listened, I suppose?" said Shere Ali bitterly.

"Or listened too late," said Phillips. "Like Dewes, who only since he met you in Calcutta one day upon the racecourse, seems dimly to have understood the words."

Shere Ali was silent. He stood looking at the grave and the obelisk with a gentler face than he had shown before.

"Why did he not wish it?" he asked at length.

"He said that it would mean unhappiness for you; that it might mean ruin for Chiltistan."

"Did he say that?" said Shere Ali slowly, and there was something of awe in his voice. Then he recovered himself and cried defiantly, "Yet in one point he was wrong. It will not mean ruin for Chiltistan."

So far he had spoken in English. Now he turned quickly towards his friends, and spoke in his own tongue.

"It is time. We will go," and to Captain Phillips he said, "You will ride back with me to Kohara. I will leave you at the doorway of the Residency." And those words, too, he spoke in his own tongue.

Then rose a clamour among the seven who waited in the doorway, and loudest of all rose the voice of the mullah, protesting against Shere Ali's promise.

"My word is given," said the Prince, and he turned with a smile to Captain Phillips. "In memory of my friend"—he pointed to the grave—"in memory of my friend, I give you your life."

CHAPTER XXXII.

SURPRISES FOR CAPTAIN PHILLIPS.

The young nobles ceased from their outcry. They went sullenly out and mounted their horses under the ruined wall of the old fort. But as they mounted they whispered together with quick glances towards Captain Phillips. The Resident intercepted the glance and had little doubt as to the subject of the whispering.

"I am in the deuce of a tight place," he reflected; "it's seven to one against my ever reaching Kohara, and the one's a doubtful quantity."

He looked at Shere Ali, who seemed quite undisturbed by the prospect of mutiny amongst his followers. His face had hardened a little. That was all.

"And your horse?" Shere Ali asked.

Captain Phillips pointed towards the clump of trees where he had tied it up.

"Will you fetch it?" said Shere Ali, and as Phillips walked off, he turned towards the nobles and the old mullah who stood amongst them. Phillips heard his voice as he began to speak, and was surprised by a masterful quiet ring in it. "The doubtful quantity seems to have grown into a man," he thought, and the thought gained strength when he rode his horse back from the clump of trees towards the group. Shere Ali met him gravely.

"You will ride on my right hand," he said. "You need have no fear."

The seven nobles clustered behind, and the party rode at a walk over the fan of shale and through the defile into the broad valley of Kohara. Shere Ali did not speak. He rode on with a set and brooding face, and the Resident fell once more to pondering the queer scene of which he had been the witness. Even at that moment when his life was in the balance his thoughts would play with it. So complete a piece of artistry it seemed. There was the tomb itself—an earth grave and a rough obelisk without so much as a name or date upon it set up at its head by a Resident at Kohara. It was appropriate and seemly to the man without friends, or family, or wife, but to whom the Frontier had been all these. He would have wished for no more himself, since vanity had played so small a part in his career. He had been the great Force upon the Frontier, keeping the Queen's peace by the strength of his character and the sagacity of his mind. Yet before his grave the nobles of Chiltistan had knelt to pray for the destruction of such as he and the overthrow of the power which he had lived to represent. And all because his advice had been neglected.

Captain Phillips was roused out of his reflections as the cavalcade approached a village. For out of that village and from the fields about it, the men, armed for the most part with good rifles, poured towards them with cries of homage. They joined the cavalcade, marched with it past their homes, and did not turn back. Only the women and the children were left behind. And at the next village and at the next the same thing happened. The cavalcade began to swell into a small army, an army of men well armed, and at the head of the gathering force Shere Ali rode with an impassive face, never speaking but to check a man from time to time who brandished a weapon at the Resident.

"Your Highness has counted the cost?" Captain Phillips asked. "There will be but the one end to it."

Shere Ali turned to the Resident, and though his face did not change from its brooding calm, a fire burned darkly in his eyes.

"From Afghanistan to Thibet the frontier will rise," he said proudly.

Captain Phillips shook his head.

"From Afghanistan to Thibet the Frontier will wait, as it always waits. It will wait to see what hapens in Chiltistan."

But though he spoke boldly, he had little comfort from his thoughts. The rising had been well concerted. Those who flocked to Shere Ali were not only the villagers of the Kohara valley. They were shepherds from the hills, wild men from the far corners of Chiltistan. Already the small army could be counted with the hundred for its unit. To-morrow the hundred would be a thousand. Moreover, for once in a way there was no divided counsel. Jealousy and intrigue were not, it seemed, to do their usual work in Chiltistan. There was only one master, and he of unquestioned authority. Else how came it that Captain Phillips rode amidst that great and frenzied throng, unhurt and almost unthreatened?

(To be continued.)

COLONIAL SUGAR COMPANY.

PROSPEROUS HALF-YEAR.

EFFECT OF THE TARIFF.

The half-yearly meeting of the above company was held yesterday afternoon, under the presidency of Mr. H. E. Kater, M.L.C. The report and balance-sheet showed a net profit of £118,053, which, with £91,829 brought forward, made £209,882 available for distribution. The board recommended a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, absorbing £110,000, leaving £99,882 to be carried forward.

In moving the adoption of the report, the chairman said that since they last met, the New Zealand Parliament had decided to abolish the duty on sugar, syrup, and treacle from November 1, thus freeing from taxation one of the principal articles of diet. It will be interesting to note whether the cheapening of the supply would result in an increased consumption. Except in regard to a possibly larger demand, and the freedom from Customs supervision, the change will not alter the position in any way, as sugar refining had never been protected in New Zealand. On the other hand, the proposed Commonwealth tariff would affect the operations here by the increase it brings about in the cost of the plant and material they used in refining—points of importance with an industry worked as this was on freetrade lines. As to the recent attacks on them in the Federal Parliament, they need not be concerned, for they were without justification. Instead of the price of refined sugar being unduly high here, it was, if anything, below the level of the world's markets, because of the necessity for excluding imports of foreign sugars, so that the crop then being taken off in Australia—which was more than the Commonwealth could use in 12 months—might be consumed locally. Were this not the case, Hongkong refiners would at once seek to sell here part of their output.

Then, it was also quite certain that they paid more for the cane they bought than other manufacturers, working in the same way, could give, and the margin they had, as refiners of Australian sugar, was lower than they would expect to average were the supplies of raw sugar for the refineries drawn from Java. The conclusion, therefore, was that such protection as the existing tariff gave on sugar went altogether to the producers of the cane, and the question whether this was inadequate or excessive was one that they could not fairly discuss, because they were not engaged in cane-growing in Australia.

They had found it necessary, in consequence of the closing of the Poolman refineries, to provide for some extension of trade in Sydney and Melbourne, and such was also the case in Auckland; while here they were incurring considerable expense in an endeavour to conform to the municipal regulations about the emission of smoke, this work, though costly, being largely experimental. At the mills they were taking off a heavy crop under weather conditions very favourable for such crop, but the reverse for that of next year, rain being much wanted both here and in Fiji. In the latter colony the consequences of the gradual extension of the cane area were now apparent in increases of the crops and generally in an improved outlook. Next year they expected to make a large quantity of sugar, and hoped that such greater production would allow them to maintain the trade with South Africa that they had of late being trying to develop.

Of the new capital now payable, they have already received a very large proportion, but this did not, of course, appear in the accounts presented. The undivided shares were being settled for on the basis of a premium of £24 10s, which would give to the shareholders concerned £2 6s 10d for each share in respect of which new stock was not obtainable. This payment would be distributed with the dividend. The death of Mr. Griffiths left a sensible gap in the board, for he was by many years the senior director, and had an intimate knowledge of the affairs of the company. Mr. Richard Binnie had, however, already gained some experience in the working of their business, and his appointment would, they felt sure, be acceptable to the shareholders.

The report was adopted, and a vote of thanks was accorded to the directors and officers.

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ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

THE "HERALD" COMPETITIONS.

A MODERN DAIRY FARM.

Although dairying is comparatively a young industry in the Tumut district, it is carried on under the best conditions by Mr. J. G. Usher, who has leased The Plains, a beautifully-compact and improved property, about four miles from Tumut. In many respects, it is ideal. The homestead stands on the forest land, nestling in a mass of English trees, surrounded by native timber. A charming contrast of greens, broken by the bloom of the hawthorn and acacia, and an old-style garden, full of climbing roses and gay lilacs, hedges, and creepers, that cluster lovingly round the buildings, for the home itself is one of the oldest in the district. In front the hill slopes gently down, and is lost in the rich plain, coated with grasses, and dotted with sleek kine. Through the plain, which spreads out on three sides of the homestead, glides a goodly stream, some half a chain wide, clear water on a gravel bed, its banks dotted with shady willows. On the fringe of the flats dense masses of willows mark the course of another stream, for this is a land of running water, and in the distance stretch tiers upon tiers of hills. Behind the house, where the forest land climbs steadily upward, the white sheds and the red of the new silo are bright splashes of colour in the sombre forest trees. Back of all rise great hills, a magnificent finish from a scenic standpoint, but poor "no account" country, all the same. The Plains, however, has none of this, for its area is only 502 acres; but picked acres all of it. It is well watered rich land, rich both in quality and beauty; a spot where poets might dream, and lotus-eaters rest content. Fortunately, for it would be a pity to waste such good country, it is a place for working—not dreaming. The busy hum of the separator and throb of the engine tell their own story; and here people turn out at 4 o'clock in the morning, playing their part in the perfect system, whereby the product of the rich grass and clear water, by aid of cow and man and machinery, does its share in feeding consumers overseas. The Plains is a typical modern dairy farm, in a good country.

Although Mr. Usher has been dairying in the neighbourhood for some 15 years, he has only been in possession of The Plains some six months. In that time he has managed to get things into good going order, and already the homestead is fairly complete in the many requisites to good dairy farming. He possesses the only milking machines at present used in the district, having two LKG machines, which are run by a 4-h.p. steam engine, which also runs a turbine pump separator, having a capacity of 130 gallons. These are housed in good buildings, some distance from the yards. An adjacent room is fitted up with a Babcock tester and other appliances, including complete tester for skimmed milk. A little distance from the milking yards is the pig paddock. All the troughs are bricked in front to prevent the ground being rooted up. Down on the bank of the creek is a summer paddock for the pigs, where they can have as much water to bathe in as they please. In passing, it may be mentioned that Mr. Usher favours steamed pumpkins for pigs in preference to raw food.

The calf house is most complete. A galvanised-iron shelter shed has been erected in the calf paddock, which is also well provided with shade trees, in which 100 calves can sleep on wet, cold nights. Four yards are attached. The calves are driven into the main yard at feeding time. Thence a number are drafted into a smaller yard; from this about nine pass into a further yard, from which they go into the last. Here a light shed has been erected, at the top of which are nine bails. Outside of the bails is a plank with nine half-circles cut in it. In these a bucket rests opposite each bail, to prevent them being knocked over. By this means each calf receives its proper allowance, and there is no chance of any stronger poddy robbing his weaker brother, as is the way of poddies. When they have been fed the calves pass out at a gate and back into the paddock, and the next lot follows on to be fed. The calves take kindly to the system, going from one yard to another, and up to the bails in quick succession. They are handled quickly and easily. At Mr. Usher's two boys can feed 60 poddies in 25 minutes. The calves all have collars with numbers on, so they will get their proper food. They are kept 24 hours after being taken from the mothers, and then fed a couple of times with the finger, after which they feed at the bails. A register is kept of the date of birth and the time that the calves go on to whole, half, and skimmed milk successively. They are identified by the numbers on the collars, which are taken off when they go on to skimmed milk. The heifer calves are fed on milk for 10 days, on half-milk for a week, and then on skimmed milk. The bull calves are given a week of each. Quarter of a pint of lime water is put in the food a couple of times a week to keep the animals healthy. About 60 calves are being fed at present, and there are over 90 in the paddock, all of which are in fine, healthy condition.

Although living in a fertile country, Mr. Usher by no means depends upon natural feed. He is one of the few men locally who are going in for ensilage, and has erected a fibro-cement silo, with an iron roof. It is 30ft to the top of the walls, by 19ft, has a capacity of 110 tons, and cost £80. The silo has three doors, and is the only one in the district, the nearest being at Tumbarumba. Mr. Usher goes in for maize ensilage, cutting it up with an Ohio No. 16 ensilage cutter at the rate of 10 tons an hour, filling the silo with an elevator. This season he is putting in 60 acres of maize for green feed and ensilage. For maize seed the best ears are selected, the tops being cut off. He intends going in for lucerne on the flats.

The dairy herd consists of Jersey-Shorthorns. Mr. Usher has a complete stock register, with records in full of all stock bred for the last 15 years. He is one of the few farmers who keep complete books. The milking herd totals 108, and the cows are a good, even class in fine condition. Two good Durham bulls are kept in separate paddocks, so that the records should show the correct sire.

A windmill erected near the creek sends water from a well to a 2000-gallon tank, from where it is laid on to the dairy and cow yard. Zinc troughs are in plenty. The outhouses are all built on a ridge, allowing good drainage, and are fairly complete. In many ways there is proof on this property that the owner studies his work in detail. Among the farm buildings is a stable or "hospital," specially built for sick cattle or horses, where they can be properly treated and isolated. A small portion of the machinery shed has been hessianed off to provide a room where paints, garden tools, and similar articles are kept. The sand and gravel in the creek is availed of for putting in the gateways, before bails, and places where stock are regularly trampling. In the maize fields roadways are left unploughed through the crops, and on the headlands to allow carting off in wet weather without bogging. In the office there is further evidence of a progressive man, or men, for Mr. Usher is ably supported by his sons. There are text books and works on stock and their treatment, which have come in handy, and different inventions and contrivances for dairy and farm work. One of these, which should be on every dairy farm, is a milk fever syringe. With it Mr. Usher has cured a cow in heavy distress in 10 minutes, by pumping air into the udder, through an antiseptic cotton-wool filter. After 15 years' experience, he finds all these details more than pay, and has proved that farming is a work that a man of brains can make not only profitable, but as interesting in its study as any profession or industry in the land. There is, of course, much yet to be done, for perfection is seldom, if ever, obtained, but the probability is that when his months of possession have given place to years, he will make big strides towards that ideal. One of the few wants that are immediately noticed is the absence of wire-netting. Certainly it is claimed that rabbits are not bad in the neighbourhood. Still, they are there, and although the country is well cleared, and in a state in which it is easy to fight bunny, the only effective method so far known is good wire-netting boundaries. It does not pay at any time to keep even half a score of rabbits on good country, and The Plains is undoubtedly as choice a piece of country as a man could wish to work.

ITEMS.

The grasshopper plague at Narromine, according to a gentleman who is now in town, is exceedingly bad this year. It leaves nothing eatable in the track along which it travels. The "hoppers" are not all young ones; there are "fliers" as well as the immature insects, but in common with the habits of the pest, the flocks take particular stretches of country, and diverge neither to the right nor to the left from their route. In the middle of the flock everything is stripped bare, on the outskirts the destruction is not so complete, but it is bad enough, and on the next field nothing is touched.

The "Western Post" records that at Binnawee the rainfall for this year has been almost identical with that in the year 1888, 10.92 inches having been registered in the one year and 10.87 in the other. Alderman G. Stewart, Mayor of Cudgegong, keeps a weather diary, and gave these records. He also states that the drought broke up on December 1, in 1888, about an inch and a half of rain following up a bleak easterly wind, which blew on the last day of November. The coincidence in the quantity of rainfall measured in 1888 and 1907 is so close that recollections of the 19-year cycle theory recur.

Our reports from the Tumut district, written by our special reporter, convey the information that it is one of the favoured districts of the State this year. The "Southern Herald" has also had a representative travelling through some of the country parts of the State, and he places amongst the most favoured parts he has seen Tumut, Wallendbeen, and Nubba. In these localities things are not represented as what they might be if the season were better, but they are still a great deal better than the greater part of the country. It is not meant to convey that the grass is 3ft high, but there is good feed, nevertheless. As for the crops, they are looking well, and will yield well if they receive rain.

WOOL LETTER.

ANOTHER BIG ADVANCE IN MERINOS.

CAN TARES BE MADE FROM WOOL?

LONDON, Sept. 27.

The event of the week has naturally been the beginning of the fifth series of colonial wool sales, a large number of buyers filling Coleman-street Wool Exchange last Tuesday. I don't know that I ever saw the room more crowded, nor yet more interest manifested. From first to last competition was exceedingly keen, everything selling remarkably well. Of course, everybody went prepared for a rise in merinos, and if city banking establishments, importers, and the like, who seem to have a "fatherly" charge of clients' wool, would be a little more enterprising than they are, we should not have seen the spectacle of three sellers putting out combined catalogues of 8246 bales, of which 7500 bales were New Zealand slipes and greasy crossbreds. The owners seem to have no regard for buyers, for at a time like this, when a sensible advance was certain, there is no justification for financial institutions keeping anything back until things have got "warmed." The whole of the opening catalogues were of a sweeping-up character, there being not a single lot of good fine combing wool seen on the opening day. Several characterised the three catalogues as "rotters," and very much wanting they were. I felt that if the trade could lift these with freedom at a higher basis of values, then it could lift anything, and succeeding events have verified my opinions. At the finish there was hardly a lot withdrawn, and brokers seemed well pleased with the prices they had made.

GOOD RISE IN MERINOS.

Coleman-street can be said at one stroke to "size" up, as Americans say, the actual standing of the raw material, and the opening sale of the series proved conclusively that wool is occupying an exceedingly strong position. I was very much surprised with the large and sustained call for New Zealand slipes, for it will be remembered that these fared badly in July. I do not know that prices were much better this week, but every lot was picked up very readily, and with these wools now coming to hand showing a longer staple and with more combing character, the best lots made ½d more. Short carding slipes did not seem any better, all the call being for something that will comb. Still, nothing hung fire, and everything moved out of hand very freely. The "plum" of the opening was undoubtedly the few merinos which were catalogued; and shabby, yellow, red-earthy Western Australian "new clip" not making more than 40 per cent., went at 11d for the continent. Quite a "whistle" went round the room when 30 bales of very fatty New Zealands sold for France at 10½d, and I am certain the yield will not be more than 38 per cent. Even shabby, wasty pieces readily made ½d more, and a sight of the room when any merino was up gave one the impression that there was going to be no more fine wool available. The opening was ½d higher for merinos, the same for greasy crossbred lambs, but I could see little change for any other descriptions. These results were just about what were expected, and they seemed to give considerable satisfaction.

Wednesday's catalogues were a vast improvement on those of the preceding day, and one of the best sittings of the year ensued. It was really delightful to see the sale of some Sydney scoureds, the MB in diamond over Nepean (1300 bales) selling up to 25d, but the treat of the evening was, to my mind, the sale of the Sydney COB. These were very good wools, sound, bright, and showy, the clothing making up to 25½d, combing 24d, and pieces 23d. I am certain that good scoureds are 1½d per lb higher, an occasional 2d being paid. German, French, and home trade buyers on Wednesday and last night were at their best, paying up to 26½d for New Zealand scoureds. I call even medium combing grease ½d to 1d up, France especially being keen upon anything fine and of fair length. The Queensland new clip wools are in excellent condition, the old Warrego clip Milo selling up to 12d on Wednesday, nearly every lot being taken for Bradford by "I. and K." This clip was never better grown, and although rather red and dusty, still it was in nice condition, and the wool is not that dead fine that it used to be. Probably the effect of using South Australian blood is already telling its tale in a deeper-grown staple of about super 64's quality. Shabby, wasty scoured pieces, bellies, and locks have participated in the better inquiry, and are selling frequently at ½d more than in July. There is a big quantity of this class of stuff, and these prices will scarcely be maintained when supplies become more plentiful. Frenchmen seem to be as keen as anybody in buying good straight combing lots, while Germany and Yorkshire are giving excellent support. Next to nothing so far has been done for America, simply because the wools are not good enough for that quarter, though last night about 800 bales of Queensland new clip was taken at 12½d to 13½d.

HEMP IN WOOL.

This subject is being pushed forward with all possible speed, and next week another meeting is to be held, when the Bradford committee will be joined by a representative from the first wool-house in Roubaix and Rheims. I hear that there is a good prospect of wool tares being recommended that have been made from crossbred wool itself. That at present is on the carpet, and I have every reason for saying that the feasibility of working this will be considered. Personally I cannot see how such a recommendation is going to work. Certainly, it has much to recommend it, and the Bradford manufacturers, who, up to now, have strongly favoured black-dyed tares, are willing to support bales made from wool, if it is at all feasible. They recognise that there is a possibility of crossbred fibres getting mixed with merino wool, through seams fraying; but that it will do less harm than loose hemp does at present. But what about the cost? Everything will hinge there. If bales made from wool are recommended, growers must look out for having to pay something like a sovereign per pack! How can one be made cheaper? Two-fold 40's yarn cannot be bought to-day from any spinner under 2s 1½d per lb. This yarn is usually spun from a 46's top. Suppose yarn is spun from 36's, it could not be bought for less than about 1s 8d per lb. If tares weigh 12lb, then it means a sovereign straight off, without any expenses for making, freight, etc. The wool-bag, once used and cut, will never be fit for use again; and suppose it is taken and sold, and, say, a shilling per lb is got for it, that means that there will be 8s deficiency. Out of whose pocket is this coming? I cannot think that any Australian grower can be induced as yet to favour such a thing, unless some arrangement can be arrived at as to who is going to stand in the breach to face the loss. I am more convinced than ever that if a better quality bag was used like that in which the best Tasmanian clips are packed, more care exercised in cutting open tares, both in London and Sydney warehouses, and sorting more carefully done in Bradford and elsewhere, the injury could be reduced by at least 75 per cent. A Queensland new clip is to be catalogued next Thursday by Du Croz, Doxat, and Co., bearing the announcement "great care taken to exclude fibres from tares." I think the same could be said of every clip, but the owner attended the recent conference, so has already gone one better than the rest.

WHAT BRADFORD THINKS OF LONDON.

Bradford this week has had quite enough to digest the situation revealed in London, and yesterday's market after Wednesday's very brisk sale seemed to surprise everybody. The pace is certainly keener than anybody ever expected. Still for all that, some good lines of greasy merinos have been bought every night for Worstedopolis, though Bradford buyers seem to be out of it when they come to scoureds. Our Continental friends are "stoking" splendidly, and everything was quoted dearer in Bradford yesterday. Several importers had cable news from Adelaide, where the first sale of the season took place, and all alike quote A super 60's tops to cost 2/4¼ and A 64's tops 2/5½ out of Adelaide-bought wool. That is Bradford's price to-day, though many will not accept such figures. Some seem to think that there is nothing now for it but to wait a few weeks until the fever has subsided. Those who cannot do without wool and tops now realise they are having to pay through the nose, and it will be well if permanent injury is not inflicted. Manufacturers are crying out bitterly as to the unprofitable state of affairs, and nothing like as many orders have been given out this last three weeks, piece merchants saying they will not pay the prices that are being asked. Consumption is maintained in every quality, and crossbreds are fractionally firmer. The present state of affairs has put an end to all future sales, no importer to-day being disposed to offer anything forward. I am rather inclined to think that a good many are being struck with feelings of fear over the future, though it seems hardly likely that we are going to have cheaper wools this year. On all hands prices are firmer than ever, the effect of London being to stiffen the backs of everybody.

ARMY MEAT CONTRACTS.

A NASTY INNUENDO.

Our London correspondent throws a little light on the War Office contracts for the supply of meat. In his last letter, dated September 27, he says:—The Agent-General's office reports yet another quarter from which criticism of one branch of Australian operations, though less direct, is likely to be considerably more effective in result. In a recent large War Office contract for tinned meat, tenders were received from Chicago, Canada, England, and Brazil. The contract was secured by a great Chicago firm, on account of superior quality, and method of packing and sealing. That was well enough, but the matter took on a different aspect when a semi-official paper published an interview with a War Office official, who said, among other things:—"We had to go to Chicago for our supplies, because the quality of the goods is superior to any on the world's market. They give us what we require in weight and size, and agree to pack the goods in new buildings that are spotlessly clean." The Agent-General is endeavouring to secure official withdrawal of the statement, which, apart from the ipse dixit of the first clause, contains in the second, in the reference to the correct weight and size of the goods supplied, a nasty innuendo. In connection with contracts of this kind, the practice of the War Office has for a long time precluded the submission of Australian samples, because the notice given has not been sufficient to allow of their participation. After much trouble, official representations have now secured an arrangement by which, in the case of such articles as Australia can supply, ample notice will be given.

AUBURN VALE SUBDIVISION.

A SUCCESSFUL SALE.

£71,472 REALISED.

INVERELL.—The sale of the Auburn Vale subdivision at the Town Hall to-day was highly successful. The town for several days has been full of strangers from all parts of the Commonwealth and New Zealand. When the sale commenced the hall was quite full. Mr. Armstrong, of Armstrong and Farrand, wielded the hammer, the sale being in conjunction with the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, and T. A. Stirton and Co., Narrabri. The vendors were Stirton Bros. and Beauchamp, who recently purchased the property from T. H. Cooper at £4 per acre. The venture proved highly satisfactory, as the area sold under the hammer averaged £6 7s 6d per acre. The total area was 22,000 acres. Of this 10,065 acres went at auction, and 1144 acres were sold privately afterwards, the proceeds of the sale realising £71,472.

Portions 1 to 30, situated about a mile and a half from the town were sold in small areas. The bidding for these was spirited from the jump. Nearly all these were bought by local men, but new settlers secured a great many farming areas. The total number of blocks was 127, ranging from 30 acres to 1007. The homestead comprised 840 acres with p.o.l. 2000 acres given in. J. M'Lean, Colly Mongle, secured this at £9, and subsequently refused 10s per acre on his bargain. The highest price was £14 10s, paid by J. W. Anderson, Inverell, for No. 1, block of 47½ acres. The same buyer secured No. 3 of the same area at £16; Nos. 4 and 5, of 48½ acres each, at £10 9s and £10 respectively. No. 2, of 47½ acres, went to J. T. Dale, Inverell, at £9 10s. The same buyer also secured No. 7, of 40 acres, at £9. N. C. Bucknell, Newstead, bought No. 6, of 48½ acres, at £9; No. 8, of 47 acres, at £8; No. 10, of 55 acres, at £7; No. 11, of 44 acres, at £7 10s; No. 13, of 44 acres, at £7; No. 14, of 49 acres, at £7 10s; No. 16, of 50 acres, at £7 15s; No. 17, of 50 acres, at £7 5s; No. 18, of 51 acres, at £6 15s; No. 19, of 52 acres, at £6 10s; No. 21, of 52 acres at £6 15s; No. 23, of 50 acres, at £8 5s; No. 32, of 52 acres, at £6 15s; No. 33, of 66 acres, at £6 15s; No. 70, of 436 acres, at £5 5s; No. 54, of 191 acres, at £6; No. 75, of 120 acres, at £4 15s; No. 76, of 60 acres, at £5 10s; No. 9, of 63 acres, at £7. C. G. Miller, Blackall, Queensland. No. 12, of 44 acres, W. Woods, Moree, £8; No. 15, of 31 acres, A. M. Canadell, Inverell, £8; No. 20, of 57 acres, at £8 5s, F. E. Fermer, Manilla. The same buyer also secured No. 22, of 38 acres, at £8; No. 27, of 37 acres, at £7 10s; No. 28, of 39 acres, at £7 15s; No. 29, of 44 acres, at £7; No. 30, of 40 acres, at £11; No. 31, of 41 acres, at £7 5s; Nos. 25 and 26, of 36 and 37 acres, at £7 and £7 5s, J. Hunt, Narrabri. He also bought No. 59, of 102 acres, at £6 10s; No. 58, of 148 acres, at £5 7s 6d; No. 61, of 125 acres, at £4 10s; No. 39, of 100 acres, at £7 15s, E. Readford, Cobar; No. 40, of 40 acres, at £7 2s 6d; No. 35, of 40 acres, at £6 15s; No. 41, of 60 acres, at £6 10s; No. 68, of 200 acres, at £7 15s; No. 69, of 200 acres, at £7 5s; No. 56, of 253 acres, at £7, all went to Redcliffe. No. 36, of 47 acres, at £6 10s; No. 70, of 100 acres, at £6 15s; No. 65, of 87 acres, at £7; No. 66, of 78 acres, at £7; No. 64 of 400 acres at £5 15s, were secured by P. Shithorpe, Taranaki. No. 67, of 152 acres, £5 5s, Tewkesbury. No. 71, of 120 acres, at £6/15/; No. 73, of 241 acres, at £6/10/; No. 73, of 171 acres, at £6/2/6, fell to the bid of F. R. Hawke, Inverell. No. 111, of 1097 acres and 2000 acres, P.O.L., at £5/7/6, E. Gale, Singleton; No. 110, of 600 acres, with P.O.L. 2000 acres, W. Maidens, Yagubie, at £5; No. 44, of 472 acres, at £6; No. 43, of 71 acres, at £6; No. 46, of 175 acres, at £6; No. 45, of 137 acres, at £6/2/6; No. 47, of 180 acres, at £6/2/6; No. 62, of 203 acres, at £6; No. 63, of 206 acres, at £6; No. 91, of 155 acres, at £5/5/, were all bought by M. Lindsay, Inverell; No. 57, of 150 acres, at £6 2s 6d, A. M. Canadell, Inverell. The same buyer also secured No. 61, of 156 acres, at £6 17s 6d. No. 106, of 200 acres, W. Short, at £5 15s; No. 114, of 170 acres, with 4000 acres P.O.L. given in, at £6 10s, A. F. Kemp, Inverell. No. 115, of 490 acres, with 300 acres P.O.L., at £4 5s, W. Maidens. No. 48, of 173 acres, J. E. Bojue, Hamilton, New Zealand. No. 50, of 175 acres, J. T. Dale, at £5 12s 6d.

Privately since the auction the sale of the following blocks took place:—No. 90, of 200 acres, £6, Dr. Kinross; No. 102, of 437 acres, £5 10s, N. C. Bucknell; No. 92, of 139 acres, M. Lindsay, £5 5s; No. 82, of 208 acres, J. Strand, £6 5s; No. 81, of 160 acres, L. Strang, £5 15s.

Several blocks of the Arawatta subdivision were also sold privately to-day, averaging £6 5s. The total area sold to date is 6610 acres. A number of other properties also changed hands during the last day or two, amongst them being 500 acres of J. A. M. Draper's property at Bannockburn at £8, Mrs. Mephams; 850 acres of Goonoorah, at £6.

LAND FOR CLOSER SETTLEMENT.

MURWILLUMBAH.—Some time ago through the Tweed Shire, representations were made to the Lands Department urging expedition in having lands suitable for closer settlement thrown open. A reply has been received to the effect that the delay has been caused through the lack of surveyors. The opinion here is that the department should employ men in sufficient numbers to cope with the demand for land. By this means men who are compelled to go to Queensland seeking land would remain in this State.

DEPASTURING STARVING STOCK.

LITHGOW.—Over 20,000 acres has been applied for at the Lithgow Lands Office during this week as annual leases. These are being taken up in areas of from 330 to 1920 acres by owners of land in the districts further west, so as to be able to depasture their stock in mountainous country in this district, where water is not as scarce as in the west.

VICTORIAN FRUIT REGULATIONS.

The Premier, replying to a question by Mr. Henley in the Legislative Assembly last evening, said if Victoria had relaxed the oversea regulations in respect of New South Wales fruit, unfortunately she had imposed prohibitive regulations in respect of overland imports. New South Wales had to send fruit free from pests and disease, and the obligation was cast upon the growers of this State to keep their orchards clear. The best way to do that appeared to be to enforce the provisions of the Fruit Pest Act, and at the same time have the same strict regulations against Victoria that she enforced against our growers.

WIRE-NETTING SUPPLY.

YASS.—Mr. G. R. Barnes, pastures board secretary, received a wire from the Under-Secretary for Lands on Wednesday, stating that 750 miles of 42in wire netting, and 250 miles of 36in were now available, and should be ordered at once by country boards. The Yass board made application some time ago for a supply, and was informed that it was not known when it would come to hand.

A DEAL IN WHEAT.

WELLINGTON.—J. Leary, senr., of Cumnock, disposed of 835 bags of wheat to a local firm for £901 3s 9d. Some time ago he was negotiating the sale of his wheat at 3s per bushel, but was stricken with influenza, and could not carry it through them. In the meantime, the price increased to nearly double that value.

THE BOT FLY.

WELLINGTON.—While Mr. S. Jackson, of Ponto, was killing a two-year-old wether, he discovered a peculiar grub above the sheep's eyes. The grub was about half an inch long, and as thick as a lead-pencil. He sent the grub to Mr. Dulhunty, Stock Inspector, and has received a reply, stating that the specimen was the larva of the bot fly, and entered the sheep's head by the nostrils. He had had a good many inquiries lately, and found all cases to be those of bot fly.

BRITISH RIFLE TEAM.

HARBOUR PICNIC.

THE EMPIRE MATCH DEFEAT.

MAJOR RICHARDSON'S CLAIM.

Yesterday the National Rifle Association entertained the British rifle team and the members of the Australian and New Zealand teams who fired in the Empire match at a harbour picnic. The party left Circular Quay in the morning in the Government launch Premier, and after a run up Middle Harbour returned to Clark Island for luncheon. A trip up the Parramatta River completed the day's outing.

At luncheon Brigadier-General Gordon, who presided, presented the members of the teams who shot in the Empire match with certificates from the N.R.A.

Colonel Wallack, D.A.G., of the Military Board, proposed the health of the visitors. He was present as a representative of the Minister for Defence, who through rush of work was unable to leave Melbourne. He (the Minister) was most anxious to be there, as he recognised the importance of the match just concluded. However, he hoped to welcome them in Melbourne on behalf of the Commonwealth Government. The Military Board was most anxious to do all it possibly could to develop rifle shooting throughout Australia, as long as it was carried out on sound and correct lines, such as was being done by the National Rifle Association. No man who claimed to be a soldier could shut his eyes to the fact that it was the fire superiority that pulled off the victories, and if they, as Australians, were going to do their duty to their King and the Empire, they should learn to shoot. This applied not only to the riflemen, but Artillery. Service shooting should be encouraged as much as possible. Some months ago he asked the District Commandants to find out if the members of the rifle clubs would go in for a certain amount of training, and he was pleased to say that over 14,000 men had signified their willingness to do the necessary drill. He was now engaged in framing a scheme whereby the training could be carried out. He congratulated the winners.

Mr. E. J. Brown, the chairman of the National Rifle Association, supported the toast, and on behalf of the association thanked the British team for the enthusiasm they had inspired into the meeting. He hoped that they would be there again at the jubilee meeting of the N.R.A. in 1909.

Colonel Hopton, the commandant of the British team, thanked the N.R.A. for its kindness during their stay in Sydney. The team had enjoyed itself immensely, and he did not think that it would be long before Australia would be troubled with another visit. The visitors were especially thankful to the N.R.A. for placing the range at their disposal for practice, and for allowing them to participate in the individual matches. They had made many friends, and hoped that many of them would come to Bisley and help win the Kolapore Cup next year. He would remind them that the week after the Bisley meeting the Olympic sports would be held. There would be several matches open to visiting riflemen. He proposed the health of the council and executive committee of the N.R.A.

Colonel Cresswell, Commandant of the New Zealand team, in supporting the toast, said, that he could not speak too highly of the treatment they had received at the hands of the people of New South Wales, for which on behalf of his team he thanked them.

In response to many calls, Major Richardson said that in reference to the Empire match the difference between the top and bottom scores should have been smaller, as all shooting men who knew the calibre of the British team would admit. They were shooting well until the misapprehension about the targets took place at 500yds. That threw the team off its equilibrium, and until it reached the last range it was not at its ease. The first three shots at 600yds showed how it was affected. At the 200yds it was leading, and at 1000yds put on more forties than the other teams together. The men went into the match at high pressure, and the little trouble at 500yds was overwhelming. They were not downhearted, though. They knew they had to shoot against a team as good as their own, and the loss of the 12 points for shots on the wrong targets lost them the match. With regard to the Olympic games, if Australia was going to send a team over, competitors should read the programme carefully, for it was possible that a foreign element would be introduced into the events, and much shooting would be done standing up, at the short ranges, with a light trigger pull.

Brigadier-General Gordon proposed the health of the executive committee, coupled with the name of Mr. Brown and Lieutenant Dakin.

The former, in responding, said that the council was entitled to as much praise for the success of the meeting as the executive. Lieutenant Dakin also returned thanks.

THE GEORGE ADAMS WILL.

MORE QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

LAW PROCEEDINGS ENDED.

Mr. Justice Street yesterday decided the remaining questions in connection with the Equity suit arising out of the will of George Adams, late of George and Pitt streets, Sydney, and Bulli.

The plaintiffs are the trustees under the will and codicil of the deceased, the late George Adams, and the defendants are William Joseph Adams, David Hastie Harvey, Edward Elliott Grant, and others.

The clauses in the summons upon which the Court ruled were the following:—

8 (a) Are the Bulli coal mines, and the business carried on in connection therewith, in the said will mentioned (the title deeds of which said mines, together with the title deeds of certain Tasmanian properties, were deposited by the testator with the Commercial Bank of Tasmania, Limited, as security for an overdraft), subject to such overdraft, and, if so, in what shares and proportions between the said mines and business and the said Tasmanian properties?

8 (b) If the said mines and business are subject as aforesaid, are they entitled to be recouped any part of the said overdraft, and of the provisions of the above-mentioned codicil?

9. In what manner are the profits of the said Bulli coal mines, and of business of the said testator in New South Wales, other than his Pitt and George street business, applicable?

His Honor declared that as between the assets of the testator the Bulli property was not liable for the overdraft on the D. H. Wilson account, and that the overdraft on the Tasmanian Brewery must be apportioned between the Bulli and the Tasmanian real estate, rateably in proportion of their values.

As to question 24—"Out of what fund or funds is the probate and stamp duty, amounting to £4416 4s 5d, on the New South Wales portion of the estate to be paid?"—his Honor declared that the New South Wales stamp duty should be payable out of the New South Wales residuary estate.

The hearing of the issues was concluded, subject to any questions arising, the parties to have the right to apply to the Court to be heard.

ALLEGED THREATENING LETTER.

A SYRIAN COMMITTED.

Before Mr. Donaldson, S.M., yesterday, at the Central Police Court, the case in which Norman Moses, a young Syrian, was charged with sending a threatening letter to Mr. S. Hordern, with the object of obtaining money, was concluded.

The case for the prosecution having concluded, Mr. Russell (Messrs. Sly and Russell), who appeared for the accused, submitted that there was no evidence to show that the accused had sent the letter in question. The Bench held that there was sufficient matter in the accused's own statement to send him for trial.

Moses, who reserved his defence, was committed for trial. Bail in £200, and two sureties in £100 each, or one in £200, was allowed.

THE WEEK IN LONDON.

AN AUSTRALIAN'S NOTES.

(BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Lord Rosebery.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

Lord Rosebery has come by a peculiar position in the political life of England. He holds none of the great offices of responsibility, and he has even been accused of having neglected opportunities of taking them when they came his way. Yet, and for all that, there is no man whose utterances are listened to with a deeper attention, nor any to whose judgments upon passing events more importance is attached. One of the chief reasons for this is to be found in his brilliant literary and oratorical gifts, which are conceded even by those who do not regard him as a political pillar of any great stability. As an after-dinner speaker, in particular, it is admitted that he has few rivals. With these facts in view, it is easy to understand the great prominence now being given his speech on the reform of the House of Lords, delivered last week at the annual dinner of the Incorporation of Bonnet Makers and Dyers. Lord Rosebery rejoiced in their prosperity, which, however, he was unable to account for, since, as far as he knew, everyone had ceased to wear bonnets, excepting himself, and then only in a rural retreat; or when he asked how he was adequately to thank them for the hospitality extended to "that pariah, that persecuted person, that object of universal and national animosity, which was called a peer." He aroused considerable merriment, too, by describing how he would respond to the toast of the House of Lords in two political assemblages. In the case of one, he would represent the House as composed of "men of mature sagacity, combining the wisdom of the serpent with the harmlessness of the dove, the representatives of the old Roman Senate, embodying the traditions of 600 years." At the other meeting, he would represent the House "as he saw it portrayed in the newspapers often, as a body of caitiffs, almost as wild beasts, anxious to destroy, rend, and tear, sometimes willing to wound where they dare not kill." Passing on to say that neither account would be correct, he defined his own position. He had never been able to defend the present constitution of the House. He had stoutly attacked it, and had endeavoured to reform it. On the other hand, he was convinced, "by every iota of political and historical experience of which he was possessed, that a second chamber, and an effective second chamber was necessary both to the welfare of the country and to the maintenance of the Constitution, and he believed that embodied the great mass of intelligent opinion."

The Federal Tariff.

The complete tariff proposals, as submitted to the Commonwealth Parliament, are gradually filtering through here, and those who feared the worst are receiving substantial warrant for their forebodings. News of the general outcry in the Commonwealth, and of the opposition, even of Government supporters, to some of the additional burdens, is now to hand, and the Australian attitude has aroused considerable interest. Opinion is being freely expressed by those concerned, not only as to the prohibitive nature of the imposts generally, but also as to the unjustifiable character of many of the proposals, for they appear to represent protection of industries which do not and are not likely to exist. The basis of the scheme is being widely sought, but in vain. It is regarded as being without any clear logical design, and its plan, if plan it have, is unfathomable. There are not a few experienced people here, however, who admit that since they heard, earlier in the year, a certain Australian Minister blusteringly expound a doctrine the real inwardness of which he did not at all appear to have grasped, they have had a dim foreknowledge that anything, however inexplicable, might be expected. They are grieved, but not surprised. They even hint that, though the tariff may injure Australia's reputation, the suspicion that the government of the country is entrusted to men of the type to which they refer, will injure it far more. As to the eagerly anticipated concessions to British productions, the "Times" crystallises the general opinion in one effective phrase when it dismisses the preference scheme as "almost derisory." In other quarters Australia's boastfulness at the Colonial Conference is now being compared with the quiet methods of Canada, as represented by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the light of the fact that the Dominion gives Britain practically a 33 per cent. preference, while Australia raises the duty against the Briton 15 per cent., and, if he complains, soothingly informs him that against the foreigner it has been raised 20 per cent. Even the easy-going Briton may be expected to question the advantage of that. This week the Manufacturers' Association of Great Britain have distributed copies of the tariff broadcast through the country, and have asked the interests concerned to comment upon it, each as it is affected. Next week a majority of the replies will be to hand, and as the secretary has promised to give me access to them, I hope to be able to summarise some important first-hand opinions.

Attack on Australia.

Following upon the news of a thousand single women going out in one shipment to Canada, as domestic servants, noted last week, comes the annual estimate of emigration from Great Britain. The report just issued shows the exodus to have totalled 194,000 last year, the largest number for 20 years. Canada received 91,263, the United States 85,941, and but 9920 went to Australia and New Zealand. Commenting on the proportionate attractiveness of the several countries, the "Daily News" has roused itself to a white heat of anger against Australia, and makes a ferocious attack upon us unhappy Australians. Australia, according to this typical example of English popular journalism, "has grown effete without ever having had a prime." That is not bad as a beginning, but it is as nothing to what follows. Thus: "Australia makes no appeal to the imagination. It has ceased to increase and multiply itself, and it wants no increase from the external world. Its attitude is cold and exclusive, and its population is only a thin fringe of a vast continent." Australians, further, "have grown too suddenly comfortable, immersed too much in material satisfaction, wholly indifferent to that richer life which is the basic note of great and enduring States. It has produced no voice, no literature, no art. It is a dumb and uninspired people." That at least has the refreshing merit of vigour, whatever it may lack in the way of accuracy. Nor is it possible to entirely withhold admiration of the imaginativeness displayed in the argument from the particular to the general, by which so appalling a picture is ingeniously evolved from a simple table of emigration statistics. The final summing up was scarcely needed: "Australia is a country without a past; at present it seems to be also a country without a future." From our critic's point of view the contingency last suggested would appear to be the most satisfactory solution for all concerned! Australians in London, official and otherwise, are protesting vigorously in reply, but—cui bono? As far as adequate knowledge of Australia is concerned, this is a people that walk in darkness.

London Locomotion.

The motor-bus has become a serious circumstance in the whirling traffic upon the streets of London. Like another monster of hideous mien, it was first endured, and then pitied. Now it is embraced—if such a term may be used regarding an object of such girth and bulk. At any rate, it is outrivalling the old omnibus in popularity. People standing in wait for conveyances allow the omnibus to pass them by, preferring to abide the coming of some motor still out of sight, for they know it will presently dash out from the invisible with a rattle and a roar, in a whirling cloud of smoke, and fling itself along the next street ahead, while the horses are ruminatively negotiating the corner. Speed is the secret of its success—speed, and a more assured control than its drivers used to exercise. It is now so safe that only on the first few journeys will you close your eyes as the vehicle whizzes past the iron standards in the centre of the streets, and you will soon cease to grasp the railing, convulsively, as it dashes full tilt into the traffic ahead, and avoids catastrophe by brilliant manoeuvres that secure its safety by a fraction of an inch. After a little while you even learn to enjoy the exhilaration of the thing. The noise of the motor is appalling, and when one thinks of it as having been superadded to what was already "the roar of London," one is not surprised to find some one occasionally passing a remark about it in the press. In size, the motor-'bus is huge. Beside it, the horse-'bus, which used to be thought large, dwindles into insignificance. It seats twenty outside, and twenty inside. It is always crowded—and it does not pay! Many companies ply the streets of London. The principal one, running both motors and horse 'buses, recently announced a net loss of £50,000 upon the half-year's operations. The cost of running the motors is too great—cheaper means of propulsion of the vehicle are being anxiously sought. Fares will have to be readjusted. Even then, the competition of tubes, underground railways, and the various omnibus companies, will probably leave all concerned without a recognisable margin of profit.

Extraordinary Golf.

Followers of the royal game will probably be interested to hear of what is perhaps the most extraordinary golf on record. At Burnham Beeches, yesterday, the qualifying competition of the Professional Association, for the selection of fourteen players to represent the South versus the North next month, attracted 100 entrants, and although the first couple left the tee at 8.15 a.m., it was found impossible for all the competitors to get in two rounds before nightfall. The option to play the second round next day was declined by various competitors, with the result that they finished in absolute darkness. All over the links, weird shoutings of strayed golfers were to be heard, and the fitful glow of wax vestas had to assist the unfortunates towards getting, at any rate, a sight of the ball, whatever might be the direction of the stroke. Bicycle lamps flashed a precarious beacon here and there, and on the last green, improvised torches, in the light of which players struggled home as best they could, gave a fantastic touch to a novel scene. J. H. Taylor, H. Vardon, and Braid qualified, but a fourth famous player, T. Vardon, after showing splendid form, was beaten in the last few strokes by the darkness.

THE COAL CRISIS.

CONFERENCE AT NEWCASTLE.

BURWOOD YARDAGE RATES.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The coal-mining conference between the committee of the Northern Colliery Proprietors' Association and the committee of management of the Colliery Employees' Federation, representing the northern miners, was opened in the offices of the Associated Collieries, Watt-street, this morning. Mr. F. Livingstone Learmonth presided, and the other proprietors present were Mr. John Brown (Duckenfield, Back Creek, and Pelaw Main collieries), Mr. J. Wheeler (Newcastle Wallsend collieries), Mr. H. F. Chilcott (Scottish Australian Company's collieries), Mr. Isaac Chapman (Abermain and Seaham), Mr. J. Doddemeade (Co-operative and Rhonda), Mr. H. Forsyth (Dudley and Lambton B), representing Caledonian Coal Company. The miners' representatives were Messrs. Peter Bowling, James Curley, and A. Lewis (district officers), Mr. G. F. Earp, M.L.C., and six other members of the management committee.

The conference was closed to the press.

The question, which the miners by resolutions carried at the aggreate meeting on Saturday, desired to bring under discussion were—(1) Advance of 8d per ton in the hewing, to take effect from January 2, 1908; (2) Payment for screened small coal at the rate of 1s per ton; (3) Restoration of the 1888 agreement as it affected the minimum height of the coal seam; and (4) A general working day of eight hours from bank to bank.

Previous to to-day's conference, however, the proprietors had not intimated that they were willing to discuss each of these points, although they agreed to confer on the hewing rate for next year, the most important of the foregoing questions. It was generally known also that other matters affecting local disputes at several collieries would be brought under discussion.

The conference was opened at 10 o'clock, and the morning was fully occupied in discussing the yardage rates agreement existing at Burwood and Lambton collieries, as a dispute on this point had occasioned a partial cessation of work at these collieries. This agreement was drawn up after the conference in September, 1906, and was signed by representatives of proprietors and miners. During recent months, however, the miners engaged at those collieries have been dissatisfied with the conditions of the agreement, and a climax was reached two weeks ago, when they gave 14 days' notice of the termination of that agreement so far as they were concerned. That notice expired last Saturday, and yesterday the men employed in the wide places went in to work as usual. Those engaged in the narrow places, however, attended at the pit with the intention of asking the manager (Mr. F. Croudace) to agree to a new scale of yardage. The manager was absent, however, and the men returned to their homes. Lambton B pit, also owned by the Scottish Australian Mining Company, was also idle yesterday for the same reason. To-day only the men working the wide places went into the pits.

This question being one of urgency, naturally came first under discussion. After considerable argument it was agreed to appoint a sub-committee to draft a new agreement dealing with the yardage rates at these collieries. The committee is as follows:—Messrs. John Brown, H. Forsyth, the colliery managers of Burwood and Lambton B pits, Messrs. Bowling and Lewis, the district officers, and secretaries of the two lodges.

MINERS' HEWING RATE.

ADVANCE OF FOURPENCE.

PROPRIETORS CANNOT COMPROMISE.

The conference was resumed after lunch and the whole of the afternoon was occupied in discussing the most momentous question, that of the hewing rate to be paid to the miners of Newcastle and South Maitland district for next year.

At 5 o'clock the conference adjourned until to-morrow morning, and the chairman (Mr. F. Livingstone Learmonth) informed the representatives of the press merely that the sitting had been adjourned, and that to-morrow an official statement approved both by the proprietors and miners' representatives would be made public.

Subsequently, however, something of the afternoon's business of the conference was learned, and the statement was authoritively confirmed. When the hewing rate question was brought up for discussion, and the miners' representatives had formulated their demand for an advance of 8d per ton from January 2, 1908, a very warm argument ensued. The proprietors, however, made a counter offer of 4d per ton in the hewing rate, standing resolutely by their previous offer.

Among other arguments, it was stated that although the miners would be paid next year on the basis of 11s, the proprietors would only be receiving 10s for a large portion of next year's output. They stated, therefore, that an advance of 2s, making the price 12s, apart from the impracticability of the proposal as regarding the foreign trade, would entail heavy losses to the proprietors. The miners' representatives placed their views of the matter at considerable length, following chiefly on the arguments adduced at the aggregate meeting on Saturday, that the general advance in prices throughout the world's markets justified a corresponding advance locally. The miners had declared very emphatically, they said, in favour of the rise of 8d per ton, as against 4d offered by the owners. The proprietors intimated that owing to very potent reasons they could not see their way clear to make an advance in prices beyond 11s which would carry a rise of 4d per ton to the miners' hewing rate.

This offer was finally made by the proprietors, and will in due course be conveyed to the miners through the various mining lodges in the district. The statement to be made by the conference to-morrow will be an official precis of the work of to-day's meeting, and will probably outline the reasons for the stand taken by the proprietors.

It cannot be foreseen how the miners will view the offer made by the proprietors of 4d per ton, as against their demand so unanimously made by resolution on Saturday for double that amount. By this increase the hewing rate for next year will be 4s 2d per ton, a figure it has not reached for four years, but they have already pretty plainly intimated that they require an advance of 8d.

Another matter touched upon at to-day's conference was that of payment for screened small coal. Payment is now at the rate of one-eighth of a penny per ton, and the demand of the miners is for 1s per ton. This matter, it is understood, was held over until to-morrow's sitting.

MR. CURLEY'S PROBABLE RETIREMENT.

It is understood that Mr. James Curley, general secretary of the Northern Colliery Employees' Federation, and who for 30 years has been actively associated in miners' organising work at Newcastle, does not intend to seek re-election at the next annual election of officers of the Federation, to be held at the end of the year. Mr. Curley, who was formerly one of the representatives of Newcastle in the Legislative Assembly, has been one of the most energetic organisers in the district, and has always possessed the confidence of the miners. He has figured very prominently in all conferences which have been held from time to time with the proprietors, and has frequently been appointed by the Government to sit on boards of inquiry, one of which—that inquiring into the use of electricity in coalmines—he is now a member.

LAW REPORT.

IN BANCO.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Mr. Justice Pring.)

APPEAL BY A WHEELER.

ABSENT FROM WORK WITHOUT LEAVE.

DEFINITION OF A RULE.

Re S. Heffernan (J. S. Rowe and another, respondents).

Mr. Piddington, instructed by Mr. W. Hall Owen, of Wollongong (by his agent, Mr. Percy J. Pratt), appeared for Stephen Heffernan, wheeler, of Helensburgh, and moved to make absolute a rule nisi for a prohibition to restrain Joseph Seymour Rowe, mine manager of Helensburgh, and Henry John Chisholm, police magistrate of Wollongong, from further proceeding upon an adjudication on September 7 last, at the court of petty sessions, Helensburgh, by which Heffernan was ordered to pay a fine of £1, with professional and other costs, amounting to £1 8s, in default of payment within one month from the date of the adjudication, to be imprisoned for one month. Mr. Kelynack, instructed by Mr. A. A. Lysaght, of Wollongong (by his agent, Mr. B. A. McBride), appeared for the respondent Rowe to oppose the application. It appeared that Heffernan was charged with having, on August 13, 1907, at the Helensburgh Colliery, he being a person employed in or about the said colliery, to which the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1902, applied, and being a person bound to observe the special rules established for the mine, contravened special rule 219, by absenting himself from duty as a wheeler in the mine, and failing to give a satisfactory explanation for so absenting himself. The magistrate, as already stated, convicted defendant, who now appealed on the grounds:—1. That the information discloses no offence. 2. That the magistrate admitted the formal evidence of the informant as to the notice required to be given by the applicant before leaving work. 3. That there was no evidence to support the information. 4. That special rule 219 referred to in the information is ultra vires of the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1902. Special rule 219 of the mine is as follows: "Every officer or workman in any grade who is unable, from illness or from other unavoidable cause, to attend to his respective duties, must give notice of his inability to attend to some responsible official or his immediate superior, in order that a competent substitute may be appointed, and the work of the mine carried on without hindrance through his absence. Any workman absenting himself from duty, and failing to give a satisfactory explanation, will be held liable to dismissal and prosecution." It appeared from the depositions in the case that on August 13 defendant, who was employed in the mine as a flat wheeler, received his lamp, but shortly afterwards he returned it to William Allen, the head lampman, without saying anything to him. Heffernan was standing among other wheelers at the time, and subsequently he left the mine, and did no work in the mine that day. Evidence was also given by the lampman that he received no explanation from Heffernan as to why he absented himself.

Judgment reserved.

IN EQUITY.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge.)

DISPUTE CONCERNING A COPPER MINE.

Further evidence was given in the case of Arthur Nicholson, a Sydney solicitor, plaintiff, against George Gander, Martin Zobel, and Andrew Murray, defendants.

The case stands part heard.

A PADDINGTON RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Dent v Connor.

In this matter Mr. H. S. Nicholas, instructed by Mr. Percy J. Pratt, appeared for Josephine Dent, and moved for an order directing Mary Elizabeth Connor to remove certain encroachments on a right-of-way extending from a point in Oxford-street along the north-west boundary of what was formerly known as Belmore-terrace, to a lane connecting Underwood-street with Perry's-lane. It appeared from the statement of claim that the right-of-way had been defined at the time of the subdivision of the Crawford Estate, at which both plaintiff and defendant had been purchasers, and that the defendant had recently made certain additions to her shop next the way, which encroached over it. It was alleged that the additions interfered with the plaintiff in the enjoyment of her house, which is one of a terrace, and would, if allowed to remain, seriously diminish the value of it. There was no appearance of defendant, and the order was made as asked.

ARBITRATION COURT.

(Before Judge Heydon, President, and Messrs. J. P. Wright and E. Riley, members.)

SUMMONS FOR PENALTY.

Undertakers' Employees v Wood and Co.

Mr. W. C. Clegg, on behalf of the Undertakers' Employees and Assistants' Union, produced further evidence for a penalty against Wood and Co., undertakers, for an alleged breach (in respect to wages) of the award made last year. Mr. Wegg Horne, secretary of the Employers' Federation, appeared for the respondents.

The Court imposed a fine of £5, with £3 3s costs, the fine to be paid within a week to the secretary of the claimant union.

JOB PRINTING INDUSTRY.

MINIMUM WAGE QUESTION.

Mr. G. S. Beeby (Messrs. Brown and Beeby) appeared for the New South Wales Typographical Association, claimant; and Mr. Mark Mitchell for the New South Wales Master Printers and Connected Trades Association, respondents.

Claimants asked that all apprentices be indentured for seven years, one to be allowed for each jobbing office. Respondent association replied that the term should be not less than five years, and not more than seven years.

Journeymen compositors employed in jobbing or book work offices, or on newspapers published otherwise than daily, should (the claimant union asked), be paid £3 per week of 48 hours, with allowances for overtime. Respondent association replied that the minimum should be £2 12s, and that the overtime should begin and end at different hours to those suggested by the claimant union.

The matter was allowed to stand over until Monday, it being stated that the parties, in the meantime, might arrive at an understanding.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. Arthur Henry.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re Charles Hendrickson. As no reply to the official assignee's report had been furnished, this application was adjourned to November 13.

Re Douglas Dickie. Adjourned to the same date, and for the same reason.

Re John Thomas King. Mr. Cohen appeared for the bankrupt, but the Registrar, having heard the official assignee's report, and the affidavit in reply, adjourned the hearing to November 13, as he could not adjudicate without further evidence of the bankrupt's transactions.

Re Katherine Patricia Price. Mr. Shaw appeared for the bankrupt, and asked for an adjournment for one month, as the bankrupt had never attended a meeting or been examined, and was at present too ill to attend. Adjourned to November 27.

Re James Malin. As there was no answer to the report of the official assignee, the application was adjourned to November 27.

Re Alfred James Buckeridge. The bankrupt appeared in person. The report of the official assignee was read, and the affidavit in reply. The Registrar said that applicant carried on his occupation as bookmaker for 10 years, when he was unable to pay his debts, and continued to get deeper into debt. He kept no books of account, and brought on his bankruptcy by rash and hazardous speculation. Certificate suspended for 18 months.

MOTION UNDER SECTION 61.

Re Henry Moyse. Order made for the payment of £3 per month from November 1.

SINGLE MEETINGS, ETC.

Re Sunder Singh and Gudgen Singh. The bankrupts were said to have been arrested at Madras, and were on their way back to Sydney. Both meetings were adjourned to November 20.

Re Henry Charles Hilliard. The bankrupt was further examined by the official assignee, and the meeting closed.

Re Poonan Singh. As bankrupt was awaiting trial, the meeting, on the application of the official assignee, was adjourned to November 20.

Re James Martin Stephen. The bankrupt was examined by the official assignee, and the meeting was adjourned to November 20.

Re Joseph Francis Anschau and William Anschau. The bankrupts were examined by the official assignee, and the meeting closed.

Re assigned estate of William Denis Hogan. Meeting closed.

Re Thomas Edwin Brown. The bankrupt was examined by Mr. Cowan on behalf of a proved creditor, and the meeting closed.

CREDITORS' PETITION.

W. Scott Fell and Company, Limited, of Gresham-street, Sydney, merchants, versus F. H. Lloyd, of Cowper-street, Balmain. Petition to be heard November 8.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Backhouse.)

PLEADED GUILTY.

The following persons pleaded guilty:—

John William Seaton, an elderly man, to a charge of attempted suicide. Seaton was bound over, on his own recognisance of £40, to appear for sentence when called upon.

REMANDED FOR SENTENCE.

The following were remanded for sentence:—

Godfrey John Robinson pleaded guilty to stealing in the dwelling-house of Peter Gilroy, at Turramurra, a quantity of clothing and two sums of money.

John Charlton pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing the sum of £51, the property of George Alfred Lilja, at Newtown.

Charles Clarke pleaded guilty to stealing clothing and box, the property of Edward Burke, at Medlow.

BIGAMY.

Barbara Ellerton Corbin pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy. She was sentenced to six months' light labour in Goulburn Gaol.

APPEALS.

Palmer Macpherson Mason appealed against an order made by Mr. Donaldson, S.M., for the payment of 10s per week for the maintenance of his wife, Florence May Mason. Mr. H. A. Moss, who appeared for the appellant, submitted that no evidence of actual or constructive desertion, under the Act, had been adduced.

His Honor held that even if a woman resided in the same house with her husband he could, under certain conditions, be proceeded against for constructive desertion.

The appeal was dismissed, and the order confirmed, with costs.

Charles Kuhan appealed against his conviction at the Paddington Court for threatening language, in which he was ordered to enter into recognisances to keep the peace for six months, also against a similar order, on a charge of assault, whereby he was ordered to pay £2 2s costs.

Both orders for the finding of sureties were quashed, and the appeals upheld. The third order, as related to costs, was set aside.

APPEAL WITHDRAWN.

The appeal of Frank Denton against his conviction by Mr. L. S. Donaldson, S.M., of stealing and sentence of one month's imprisonment was withdrawn.

POSTPONEMENT.

Frederick Weekes, charged with stealing in the dwelling-house of Charles James Roberts, at Sydney, the sum of £15, the property of Charles Kenningham. There was a further charge of receiving.

The Crown applied for a postponement, in the absence of material witnesses. Weekes was bound over in the payment of £40 to appear when called upon.

LAW NOTICES.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31.

SUPREME COURT.

Term List.—For judgment: Ex parte Stephen Heffernan (prohibition). New trial motions: Harley v Sargent and another; Angus and others v Tremain.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary: Frith v the Minister, 11 a.m.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge, at 10 a.m.: Nicholson v Gander, part heard.

Before the Master in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Plomley v Plomley, to settle draft certificate.

Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 10.30 a.m.: Pearce v A. M. P. Coupon Company, to tax costs. At 11 a.m.: Re W. R. Weate and Permanent Trustee Company, to settle minutes of order.

Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office: At 10 a.m., Frederick Wyatt; at 11.30, James Jones; at 12, Joseph Friedman; at 12.30, Charles Artlett.

In Lunacy.—Before the Chief Clerk.—At 2.30 p.m.: Re person incapable. 3 p.m.: Re insane person, to pass accounts.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy, at 11 a.m.—Certificate application: Frederick Henry Crofts. Public examination: Abraham and Maurice Myerson. Single meeting: Frederick George Mills and Margaret Sarah Mills. Confirmation of accounts and plans.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Before the President and Members.—At 10 a.m.: Re Mercantile Marine Officers' Association of Australasia, for cancellation of registration; re sawmill employees' award, appeal from decision of Acting-Registrar; re same award, application by Shore Drivers and Firemen's Union for relief; re shore drivers and firemen's award, application by C. Hillman and Co. for relief. Summonses for penalty: Undertakers' Employees and Assistants' Union v P. Kirby and Sons, Ltd; Trolly, Draymen, and Carters' Union v C. Arnold; same v J. Riley; same v same.

Industrial Arbitration Office, Public Works-buildings, Phillip-street.—Before the Registrar, at 2.15 p.m.: The Masters' and Engineers' Association of New South Wales v the Sydney Ferries, Limited, to settle minutes of award.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

George Jenkins, attempted unnatural offence; Charles Fennell, obscenity; Alexander Donaldson, demanding money with menaces. Note.—Only the witnesses in the above cases need be in attendance at the Court.

CUSTOMS INQUIRIES.

Before the Acting Collector of Customs (Mr. J. Baxter), at 10 a.m.: T. Troy (Sydney), Thomas E. M'Namee (Sydney), Thomas Durack (Sydney), Arthur E. M'Lean, Julia Marsh, breach of Section 87 of the Beer Excise Act.

SECOND-HAND DEALERS.

APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT.

SECOND-HAND BICYCLES.

Yesterday a case under the abovenamed Act came before Mr. Justice Pring, in Chambers, which presented some interesting features, especially as this is the first time the Supreme Court has been called upon to decide a question of law under the Act. It was an appeal by Senior-constable William Guest, of Mudgee, from the decision of Mr. E. A. Edwards, P.M., in a proceeding taken by Guest against Charles Mitchell Page, of Mudgee, described as a bicycle dealer. Mr. Kelynack, instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. J. V. Tillett), appeared for the appellant; and Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Messrs. M'Donell and Moffitt, for the respondent Page. It appeared from the special case stated for the opinion of the Court that Page was prosecuted upon an information charging that on September 14, at Mudgee, he carried on the business of a second-hand dealer, without being licensed so to do, and contrary to the provisions of the Second-hand Dealers and Collectors Act of 1906. Defendant pleaded not guilty, but it was admitted that he had on several occasions sold new bicycles to customers, and allowed them a certain sum on their old bicycles, which were afterwards sold. Upon the close of the evidence, Mr. C. B. Meares, who appeared for the defence, contended that his client was not a second-hand dealer within the meaning of the second section of the Act, which defined second-hand dealers and old wares, and that a second-hand bicycle did not come within the definition of old wares. The magistrate upheld this contention, and dismissed the information. The question was whether his decision was erroneous in point of law.

Mr. Kelynack submitted that second-hand bicycles came within the term old stores in the section.

His Honor: What is "old junk," mentioned in section 2?

Mr. Kelynack: I fancy it applies to pieces of rope and material of that kind.

His Honor: In speaking of stores, did it not mean articles or goods necessary for the purpose of carrying on some business or undertaking? The sails, ropes, canvas, and provisions on board ship might be considered stores, but I cannot see how second-hand bicycles can come within that definition. The question is whether they come within the term "old stores of every description?"

Mr. Kelynack contended that "old wares" and "old stores" came within the term "goods," though he admitted that the Legislature in the way the Act was framed threw the greatest difficulty on the Crown. It was, no doubt, an important question, with far-reaching effects, and he was sorry he could not give the Court more assistance in regard to the point at issue. It seemed a sort of leap in the dark. Second-hand books, for instance, were not mentioned in the Act.

His Honor: How can a bicycle be said to be an "old store?" It may have been ridden for only a week, and the owner buys another, and is allowed a certain amount for the first machine. If second-hand bicycles came within the Act, why not old motor cars, omnibuses, and railway cars?

Mr. Kelynack: The Legislature chose to use certain words, and departed from those with which they originally started, but I submit that second-hand bicycles must be taken to be included in the Act.

His Honor said he thought the magistrate was right. He admitted that in considering such an Act of Parliament as this, one could hardly be certain of its meaning, but, in looking at the definition of "old wares" in section 2, he found it specified a large number of articles none of which was in the nature of second-hand bicycles, or anything like it. And then, when they found that the definition included "old stores of every description," one could hardly suppose that the Legislature ever intended to include such things as bicycles, because, if they did, why should not second-hand motor cars, omnibuses, and locomotive engines be included, or articles which were used in carrying on certain trades, such as a carriage-builder? He thought the Act applied to goods that were meant to be stores, and, in his opinion, a second-hand bicycle could, by no stretch of the imagination, come within such a definition as that. This was a case in which the respondent sold a new bicycle to a customer, and allowed him £6 on the old bicycle, which he afterwards sold.

Appeal dismissed, with costs.

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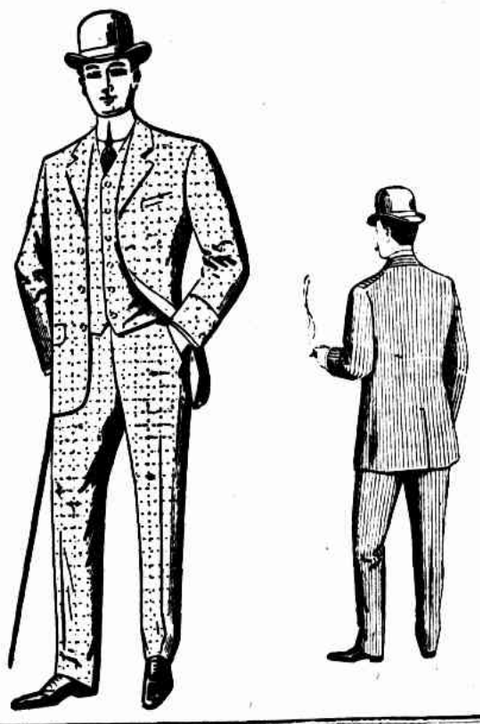
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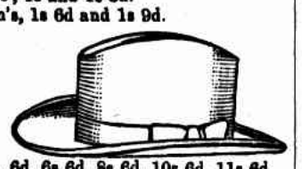
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MARRIAGES.

JACKSON—STUCKEY.—September 24, 1907, at St. James' Church, Sydney, by Rev. G. A. Carver, rector, of Wagga Wagga, William Frederick, fourth son of the late Very Rev. Wm. Oliver Jackson, Dean of Killala (Ireland), to Violet Evelyn Ormonde, fifth daughter of the late George Hamilton Stuckey, of Tintaldra, Upper Murray, N.S.W.

SUTTON—JIFFKINS.—September 21, at St. Aidan's Church, Annandale, by the Rev. F. W. Reeve, James William, second son of J. S. Sutton, of Ashfield, to Maude Mary, fourth daughter of W. Jiffkins, of Annandale, ex-imperial pensioner, late staff colour-sergeant V.P.S., N.S.W.

DEATHS.

ARNDELL.—October 30, 1907, at his residence, Macquarie, Pitt Town, Thomas Arndell, in his 83rd year. Funeral this day (Thursday), passing Windsor 11 a.m., en route to Ebenezer.

CALLAWAY.—October 30, 1907, at her late residence, Church-street, Parramatta, Mary Callaway, aged 71 years. R.I.P.

CAMPBELL.—October 29, 1907, at his late residence, 14 Excelsior-street, Leichhardt, James M'Lean Campbell, aged 72 years. At rest.

CARROLL.—At her late residence, 449 Riley-street, Catherine, relict of the late John Carroll, who was for 40 years superintendent of the Quarantine Station, Manly, aged 75 years. R.I.P.

FREDE.—October 30, at his parents' residence, Carrington-avenue, Hurstville, Horace, only son of T. and C. Frede, aged 2 years 1 month.

HALL.—October 30, at her father's residence, 48 Burnett-street, Redfern, Anne Rowley, aged 18.

MATTINGLEY.—October 29, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. William Granger, Manly Beach, Emma Elizabeth Mattingley, wife of A. E. Mattingley, and daughter of the late Dr. J. E. Scott, Melbourne.

M'DONALD.—October 30, at her residence, Newton, Burwood-road, Burwood, Emma Jane, widow of the late Edward M'Donald, aged 63 years.

NISBET.—October 30, William Holmes Nisbet, managing director Westinghouse Brake Coy. of Australasia, Limited, aged 44 years. By special request, no flowers.

NORRIS.—October 30, 1907, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Claude Kelso (Dick), third eldest son of Robert Norris, late of Narrabeen, aged 23 years.

PARRY.—October 30, 1907, at Picton, Campbell Alexander, son of L. Davenport Parry, Picton, aged 2 years (meningitis).

SCOTT.—October 31, 1906, at Hazel Dell, The Boulevard, Strathfield, Robert M. Scott, late of Scott and Goodsir, aged 59 years and 6 months.

TUBB.—October 30, 1907, at her late residence, 4 Greenhill-street, Croydon, Eliza, the beloved wife of Henry Tubb, aged 73 years.

WATSON.—October 30, 1907, at Glenworth, Darling Point, James Watson, aged 70 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of my dear husband, Richard Baxter, late of Shoalhaven, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

Gentle in mind, patient in pain,
My dear husband left me, Heaven to gain.
With actions so noble, generous, and kind,
Few in this world his equal could find.
Not gone from memory, not gone from love,
But gone to his Father's home above.

Inserted by his true and loving wife, Mary Jane Baxter.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

Though your death was hard, dear father,
And you bore your pain so brave,
We have been so sad and lonely
Since we laid you in your grave.

Inserted by his loving sons, Alfred, John, and Albert Baxter.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, late of Shoalhaven, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

Twelve months have passed; your face still beams
In all our thoughts and nightly dreams;
Your memory is as dear to-day
As in the hour you passed away.

Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Maude, and granddaughter, Muriel Baxter.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, late of Shoalhaven, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

Silently the shades of evening
Gather round our lonely door.
Silently they bring before us
A face we shall see no more.

Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, William and Minnie, and grandchildren, Tom, Richard, Harry Baxter.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, late of Shoalhaven, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

It is not long; ah, who can tell how anxiously we stood
Around our darling father's bed to save him if we could.
Friends and doctors tried to soothe till soothing was in vain,
And ere the midnight hour drew near God eased him of his pain.

Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Lucy and Ben Duke, and grandsons, Hurbert and William Baxter.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

For many years our family chain
Was firmly linked together;
But, oh, that chain is broken now,
One link has gone for ever.

Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Constance, and grandchildren, Joseph, Richard, and Hilda Baxter.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, late of Shoalhaven, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

We saw him suffering day by day;
It caused us bitter grief
To see him slowly pine away
And could not give relief.

Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Mary Ann and Thomas North.

BAXTER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, late Shoalhaven, who departed this life October 31, 1906.

The dear old face we loved lies low,
The fond, true heart is still;
The hands we often clasped in ours
Now lie low in death's cold chill.

Inserted by his loving daughters, Rebecca, Lilian, and granddaughter, Thelma Baxter.

BAXTER.—A tribute of love to the memory of our dear father, Richard Baxter, who died on October 31st, 1906, aged 62 years. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Eva and George Riley.

BAXTER.—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Richard, who departed this life October 31, 1906. Inserted by his loving mother and brother and sister-in-law, Mrs. W., and Mr. and Mrs. John Baxter.

HILL.—In sad but loving remembrance of our dear mother, Catherine Hill, who departed this life October 31, 1903. Inserted by her sorrowing children, Mabel, Lily, Rowley, and Sid. Hill.

HOKANSON.—In sad and mournful remembrance of my darling husband, Otto, who died October 31, 1904, aged 45. Inserted by his loving wife, Julia Hokanson. Resting in peace.

ISRAEL.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Morris Emmanuel Isaacs, who died at Orange October 31, 1901. Inserted by his loving wife and daughter. R.I.P.

JONES.—In loving memory of my dear father, Patrick Jones, who died October 31, 1906, aged 66 years. R.I.P. Inserted by his affectionate daughter, M. E. Costello.

MILLER.—A tribute of love and deep regret to the memory of our dear son and brother, James Windon Miller, who departed this life October 31, 1900, at Sharon, Orange-street, Randwick.

His memory is as dear to-day
As in the hour he passed away.

Inserted by his loving parents, sisters, and brother.

SCOTT.—In memory of our dear brother-in-law, Robert Melville Scott, who departed this life 31st October, 1906. Never to be forgotten. Inserted by his sister-in-law, Florence Hewett.

SILK.—In loving memory of our dear aunt, Eliza Silk, who departed this life October 31st, 1906. Inserted by her loving nieces, Mrs. J. Mitchell and Mrs. C. Wood.

STEEL.—In loving memory of our dear brother, Trooper Peter Charles Moore Steel, F.I.D. Scouts, who was killed at Bosendam, via Clanwilliam, South Africa, October 21st, 1901, aged 22 years and 8 months. Inserted by his sisters and brothers.

TILLEY.—A tribute of love to the memory of our darling baby, Bruce, who passed away October 31, 1898, aged 13 months. Mother's boy. Never forgotten. Inserted by his father and mother, W. and C. Tilley.

VIZER.—In loving memory of my dear brother, Arthur, accidentally killed at Double Bay on October 31st, 1906. Requiescat in pace.

WARNE.—In sad but loving memory of our dear mother, Sarah Florance Warne, who departed this life on October 31st, 1904, aged 58 years. Inserted by her loving sons, Henry, Daniel, and John. R.I.P.

RETURN THANKS.

The Relatives of the late Mr. and Mrs. CUTTS wish to THANK their many friends for the many kind letters, cards of sympathy, and floral tributes, and especially Dr. Kerr, for his great kindness and attention, in their late sad bereavement.

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THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

It is four years since Mr. Waddell addressed the House as Treasurer, and in the interval many things have happened. When he last applied himself to the task of explaining the financial position of the country a great drought had brought our primary industries in some instances almost to the verge of insolvency. Pastoralists and agriculturists were in despair, mining investors were timorous or hopeless, and the Government had been forced by the state of the money market to shut down in many directions upon works started on loans. When Mr. Carruthers took up the burden of office he confessed that the outlook was a black one, and twelve months afterwards he still struck the pessimistic note. But things were on the mend with a return of good seasons. The second year of the reform Government's experience was full of surprises, and the revenue went up by leaps and bounds. Instead of a bare margin there was a great surplus, and surpluses have since been the order of the day on an ascending scale. We only need to look at the figures of the wheat crops since 1902-3 to realise what has been wrapped up in the rainfall. Even in Mr. Waddell's last year of office as Premier and Treasurer there was a bumper harvest, with 28,000,000 bushels of wheat for the railways to carry and producers to find satisfactory incomes upon. The two following years together showed not much more than that quantity of grain for the wheat farmer—or 14,000,000 bushels and 19,000,000 bushels respectively; though last year went nearer the record again. Thus in four years there has been a mighty volume of wheat pouring into port and adding to private and public wealth, and the Treasury has benefited *all the time*. Now it looks as though Mr. Waddell had again to face a period of restriction. He has to present his budget with the country anxious in the prospect of drought, and even if rain falls the wheat harvest this year will be but a tithe of what he could point to in 1902-3. It is undoubtedly a trying experience for any Treasurer, but especially for one who has come back to office after such a period of prosperity.

But Mr. Waddell did not speak last night with any of the despondency which might have been excusable under the circumstances. His financial statement was impressive in its simplicity and clearness. It was the deliverance of a business man who had his matter thoroughly in hand and who was quite at home in the intricacies of public finance. There was, no doubt, the conservative note right through; but the Treasurer is by temperament and training a cautious man, and liable to lean to the side of safety. His outlook is not without difficulties, and he does well to be careful. Yet there is room for optimism. The revenue is buoyant and the financial year is a third gone. Coal-mining is booming, trade is still brisk, and our credit is good. There are no dead ends in finance to give serious anxiety, and if restriction and difficulty are ahead of us the country as a whole was never in a sounder position to meet the exigency. In three years the aggregate surplus has reached £2,626,568, and there is no reason why the promised reduction of taxation should not be made. Mr. Waddell has, therefore, accepted the position. He has provided for a total remission of £550,000, allowing, however, the income tax to remain practically undisturbed. Incomes derived from personal exertion above £1000 per annum are still to be taxed, and everything else under the head of income is to be subject to the old inquisition. This is undoubtedly the weak place in the new Treasurer's statement, though Mr. M'Gowen and his followers will insist that there should be no concessions whatever. We have already urged many times that the income tax is an emergency tax, and should only be imposed to serve a definite need. Here the need is all the other way. It should be remission, not imposition. Mr. Waddell admitted cheerfully last night that one of the strongest reasons for relieving the State in every possible way was the crushing weight of Federal taxation through the Customs-house. If that is so, the argument for dealing comprehensively with the income tax is stronger than before, and the Government should have faced the situation with courage and determination. So far as the remainder of the proposed remission is concerned it carries out Mr. Carruthers's policy and honours his pledges. Business men and small tradespeople everywhere will be helped by the concessions in stamp duties. Receipts, cheques, promissory notes, and bills of exchange are to be freed, and the relief will be widespread. The estimates of revenue and expenditure have been drawn with an eye to emergencies. Mr. Waddell's difficulty is that a good rainfall may upset his calculations, while a continuance of drought may substantially reduce his indicated surplus. But he has no doubt about the general outcome. His estimates in the main will be realised, and the Treasury is in so strong a position that any ordinary emergency may be faced without misgiving.

THE LITHGOW ENTERPRISE.

Mr. Wade made an important statement in the Legislative Assembly last night about the Eskbank Ironworks. It was elicited by a rumour that the company was unable to complete its contracts with the Government, but this bald way of putting it does not fairly represent the case. The position is that more blast furnaces are required to turn the output of pig-iron into steel, and the Government has been approached for assistance. It would be a serious matter for the works at Lithgow and a cause of some inconvenience and loss to the State if for any reason the contracts entered into could not be fulfilled. The State would lose the difference in price between that of the locally-made article and the market rate which it would otherwise have to pay. It would also lose on freight charges by rail, and there would be some danger of its sacrificing the prospect of permanently establishing an iron industry in New South Wales. The contract has been a main factor in helping the enterprise to its present stage of success, and if the one were to fall through the other would receive a serious blow. With the prospect of establishing these ironworks other things would go also. There is talk of an arsenal near Lithgow, of arms factories, of shipbuilding for the future Australian navy, the torpedo boats, and even the trawler. All this means making New South Wales the seat of the iron industry of the Commonwealth, giving work and wages to thousands of labourers and artisans, and employing profitably the valuable coal and iron deposits in which the State is so rich. We cannot abandon all this without the gravest necessity, though it has to be acknowledged that there is another side to the subject as well.

If it is not a question of saving the industry, of course some of these reflections do not apply. That remains to be seen, and here the report of the committee appointed by the Government and referred to by the Premier in the House last night will probably help us. There will be a general feeling of satisfaction that the Cabinet took this course, so that the merits of so important a matter might be thoroughly gone into. We have to remember that we have possible rivals in our iron-making enterprise. To say nothing of outside supplies which could be dumped here at low prices to swamp the infant industry, we have Mr. Bent in Victoria with his brown coal and his London capitalists. Is New South Wales to be the centre of the Australian iron industry or not? That ought to prove a governing consideration. We have already gone far. The success of the works at Lithgow has been proved, says the Premier, up to the stage where absolute success is assured. The difficulty is the want of furnaces to increase the output, and we are asked to say if we shall stop at this point or go on. As Captain Creswell said on the occasion of Professor Biles's visit to Lithgow yesterday, the manufacture of iron and steel is at the base of all shipbuilding and defence, and the whole defence of Australia depends on their supply. With these facts and considerations in view, and not forgetting the expectation of a Federal bonus or duty, most people will be glad if the committee's report, now in the hands of Ministers, should recommend this application for assistance to the favourable consideration of Parliament—with which, of course, the responsibility of decision must rest.

THE NEW LABOUR LEADER.

The choice of the Labour party in the Federal Parliament yesterday fell upon Mr. Fisher, to the exclusion of Mr. Hughes and Mr. Spence. The member for Wide Bay therefore takes up the mantle of leadership which slipped so suddenly from the shoulders of Mr. Watson, and we have now to see what use the caucus will make of the change. Presumably the caucus would rule the leader in any case, and the title is to that extent a misnomer. But even as the mouthpiece of the party it is understood that Mr. Watson exercised a certain moderating influence. That is now removed, whatever it may have been worth, and the extremists of the Labour section will not meet with much resistance from Mr. Fisher, judging by his past record. He is one of that group of aggressive Labour men elected to the Queensland State Legislature about twelve years ago, and though it contained fiercer and more irreconcilable spirits than he there is no reason to expect that as leader of the party in Federal politics he will make a stand in favour of a moderate policy. The probability is that he will be swept along by the current, whatever direction that may take. Recent occurrences and the declared impatience of many of the party with the waiting tactics hitherto pursued lead to the belief that it is tired of following Sir William Lyne, and keeping in power a Ministry which is not able to hold office of itself. The caucus is responsible to the Labour constituencies outside Parliament for whatever this puppet Ministry does, including the tariff; and the part that it played at the recent general election in this State has exercised a salutary warning which many Labour members cannot afford to forget.

If the so-called "forward" movement is made it will try the mettle of the new leader forthwith. Much will depend on the way in which it is conducted. It may lead to another precarious term of office, or it may result in producing a permanent split in the party. This is a danger that moderate Labour politicians like Mr. Watson have not hesitated to point out before. It came perilously near when the league branches in conference forced the party to adopt openly the declaration of socialism, and it was only by a rather transparent compromise that the difficulty was evaded. But socialism, after all, is an abstract term. The tariff is a fact, and so is the rise in prices, with the decreased purchasing power of the Labour voter's wages. He may be in doubt about many things, but his mind takes a firm grip of that. Is he prepared to go blindly further with the party, and take more chances? That is one of the questions which Mr. Fisher as leader of the party will have to consider. He and it are between the horns of a dilemma. They have to provide their constituents with sufficient excitement and results to keep their interest alive, and in doing that they run the risk of going too far and startling the Labour voter into his sober senses again. Will the new leader submit to be driven by the "whole-hoggers," or will he act as a leader and exercise a restraining influence? The problem is his own to solve, and on the answer his future behaviour gives a great deal in the near future of Federal politics will depend. One thing is certain. Moderate opinion among the Labour voters is steadily ripening for revolt.

The "Sydney Mail."—Sport of two vastly different types will be found adequately illustrated and described in this week's "Sydney Mail." The land sport of rifle shooting at Randwick, under the direction of the National Rifle Association, ranks first. More than ordinary interest attached to the great prize meeting this year, for a British team has come to the State to win substantial prizes if possible in the open events, and to carry off the honours in the Empire Match. A double page photograph of the crowd surrounding W. Cutler, who was chaired after winning the King's, gives speaking likenesses of over 300 men. Views of the firing mounds, the running-man target, and portraits of teams and notable performers add additional value to the issue. Yachting, which is at once the pride of the State and the envy of the world, has assumed wonderful proportions in Sydney Harbour. At the head of aquatic affairs is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, whose history dates back to the golden days. A series of articles by "For'ard Hand," who has had access to the historical records, is commenced, and will serve to call to mind past regattas, racing craft, and yachting personalities. Other topical features are photographs of the wrecked French transport Meurthe at Lord Howe Island, Guernsey scenes and cattle, Labour Day at Bathurst, exhibits at the Women's Exhibition in Melbourne, and several women leaders in the social and philanthropic world of Victoria. Special articles by experts in various branches of human progress in agriculture, natural production, science, and sport are also of note.

King's Birthday Levee.—His Excellency the Governor will hold a levee in the chamber of the Legislative Council on Saturday, November 9, at noon, in honour of the King's Birthday.

The Budget.—Mr. Waddell's Budget speech in the Legislative Assembly last night occupied one hour and ten minutes in delivery, and took the form of a concise, business-like statement of the position of the finances. The Treasurer had an agreeable task in dealing with figures that showed the State was on the flood tide of prosperity, and that though the current year might, by reason of limited rainfall, be less prosperous than the last, he was well within the mark in estimating an excess of revenue over expenditure of £850,000. A full report of the speech, together with an epitome, appears in other portions of this issue.

Legislative Council.—Three-quarters of an hour sufficed to dispose of the business before the Legislative Council yesterday, and the greater part of that time was occupied in balloting for the members to serve on the Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Works. Messrs. Hurley, Dick, and Flowers were elected. Dr. Cullen brought up the Clergy Provident Fund Bill (Sydney), and it was read the first time, and the Vice-President of the Executive Council stated that the Temporary Supply Bill would be introduced to-day. Dr. Mackellar gave notice of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill to provide for the registration of nurses and the regulation and inspection of private hospitals.

Parliamentary Salaries.—During the discussion in the Legislative Assembly last night on the granting of two months' supply, Mr. Holman made reference to the status of members of the State Parliament as compared with members of the Commonwealth Parliament, so far as it was affected by the increase in the salaries of Federal members. He was not going to say that Federal members, in voting themselves increased remuneration without reference to the electors, had not acted in an indiscreet and blameworthy manner, but he believed that even though the right thing had been done it had been done in a wrong way. In his opinion it was necessary that the salaries and emoluments of members of the State Parliament should be raised to a level corresponding with the Federal Parliament, but he did not think the increase should take effect during the life of the present Parliament. Mr. Holman's expression of opinion was received in silence.

Peel River Estate.—The Closer Settlement Board will to-day commence its inquiry concerning the proposal to resume the Peel River Estate, surrounding the town of Tamworth. Mr. M'Donald, Acting Under-Secretary for Land, and Mr. Sievers, Government land valuer, have gone to Tamworth in connection with the inquiry. During the investigation the Crown will be represented by Mr. Campbell and Mr. Cholmondely, of the Crown Law Department. The owners of the property will be represented by Mr. Gordon, K.C., Mr. Knox, K.C., and Mr. Thomson, instructed by Messrs. Andrews, Moseley, and Manning.

Water Supply.—The water in Prospect Reservoir is going down at a rate that has induced the Water and Sewerage Board to take further action. The president yesterday stated that the water was now 10.02 feet below overflow, having fallen 2.69 feet during the past 19 days, although fed by Cataract to the extent of 244 millions of gallons. As the Murray Commission decided that 6 feet below overflow is the limit of safety—that is, the water cannot be allowed to get below that, for fear of the sides of the reservoir being injured, the board decided to increase the 15½ millions of gallons now being sent down daily from Cataract to 30 millions, and to maintain that quantity as long as may be, in order to keep Prospect from falling any lower.

The New Markets Site.—In view of several complaints and certain allegations as to the insanitary nature of the site proposed to be acquired by the City Council for the erection of fruit markets, the Board of Health called for a report from the medical officer of health for the metropolitan combined districts, in order to set any doubts at rest. Dr. Armstrong, in his report, stated that he had made a careful and detailed examination of the area proposed to be utilised, and that there was no objection on sanitary grounds to its conversion into a site for markets. The board directed that the report should be forwarded for the Premier's information.

Newcastle Butchers.—Several matters affecting the retail butchering business in Newcastle were brought under the notice of the Chief Secretary yesterday by a deputation representing the Butchers' Shop Employees' Union of New South Wales, introduced by Mr. Estell, M.L.A., and accompanied by Mr. Grahame, M.L.A. It was pointed out that shop assistants in Newcastle had to assist in the slaughter-yard, and were compelled to slaughter on Sunday afternoons. There were 10 private slaughtering yards near the city, and only one health inspector, who never inspected the cattle killed on Sunday, and could see only a portion of those killed on week-days, as slaughtering went on at the different yards at the same time. The deputation also complained that the Early Closing Act was evaded on Saturday nights, when the butchers' shops kept open till 10.45. They asked Mr. Wood to take steps to prevent killing on Sunday, and remedy the other evils. The Minister, in reply, said that in many inland centres killing on Sunday was necessary, and he was not aware whether Newcastle butchers had those appliances which would permit them to discontinue the practice and at the same time provide for the public convenience. He would call for a report, and if he found it necessary to take action he would not hesitate to act. He would bring the other matters under the notice of the authorities administering the Acts, with the view of having the evils remedied.

"Not a Tenth of it."—In course of a debate in the Legislative Assembly last evening Mr. G. Miller, the member for Monaro, said that the Government had spent not a penny less than £100,000 in connection with what he called the "land persecutions"—a declaration which drew from the Premier the prompt denial:—"They have not; not a tenth of it."

Fashions for Aboriginal Girls.—At the meeting of the Aborigines Board on Tuesday, the Inspector-General of Police drew attention to a sample of the clothing served out to aboriginal girls throughout the State. Those who are responsible for the garments, it was explained, were represented by the Stores Supply and Tender Board, but it was not stated whether the designs were local or obtained from Paris. The evidence, however, was against their being of French origin. The clothing consists of a petticoat and a dress. The former is made of a brown material, and at first sight suggested the skirt which has recently so much exercised the minds of some of our suburban Mayors in connection with surf-bathing. It certainly had something aldermanic about it, in that the waist was large enough for a grown person, instead of for a schoolgirl, and the whole thing was flimsy and common. As to the dress, it resembled the typical smock frock worn by the English farm labourer, rather than a woman's dress. For the summer season it is altogether too heavy and unsuitable. It was resolved to send representations to the Tender Board, with a view to the adoption of more presentable and suitable garments.

The Rocks.—In replying to questions in the Legislative Assembly last night, the Treasurer stated that many of the tenants in the Rocks resumed area who got into arrears with their rent during the recent strike have since paid up, and others are paying off their arrears by weekly instalments. In no case have they been unduly pressed, and every consideration had been and would be extended to them. He had been informed that none of the tenements in the area are in a dangerous or insanitary condition. The comfort of tenants is attended to as much as possible, and no reasonable request for repairs is refused.

A Charitable Burlesque.—A gymkhana, under the auspices of the Sydney University Women's Society, in aid of the Working and Factory Girls' Club, Woolloomooloo, was held on the University oval yesterday afternoon. Calling it a "gymkhana" was apparently part of the joke that the whole thing was. The programme, supplied by the students, consisted of an inter-faculty cricket match and tug-of-war—both fancy-dress burlesques. There was decidedly more clowning than cricket about the match. Every player had his own set of rules, and the result was picturesque chaos. One man was given out because he hit the ball over the fence, another was run out—by a policeman. A third was sent back to the pavilion because his opponents were tired of looking at him. One batsman was allowed to continue his innings after being caught, because the catch was too simple to be taken notice of, and was later dismissed because he failed to hit a "wide" that passed about 40 yards away from him. The result of the match was not quite clear to the spectators, but apparently it was a draw, because one side made 236½ runs, and the other side ought to have done the same. The most interesting thing about the tug-of-war was the frantic but fruitless attempts of one "anchor-man" to hitch his end of the rope around a handy fence-post. The only item taken seriously during the afternoon was the refreshment interlude, but this was no less appreciated by those present than the pleasant fooling of the students in the arena.

The Toothsome Iguana.—The Aborigines Board had recently brought under its notice that in certain districts the aborigines were capturing iguanas for food, the flesh of that reptile being regarded as very toothsome, especially by the old fullbloods. The iguana is not only a reptile of good reputation, in that he is a destroyer of snakes, but he has added to the respect in which he is generally held by developing a taste for rabbits, so that he has of late been doing a little to assist the squatter in keeping down that pest. Hence the complaint about the blacks capturing them. Inquiries made by the police elicited that the half-castes denied ever touching the iguana, while the fullbloods, suspected of being offenders, promised that they would not do it again. The police in the districts concerned have been instructed to impress the blacks with the necessity of abstaining from killing the iguana, on pain of punishment.

Railway Flower Show.—The annual flower show of the Railway Institute will be held at the Institute, Devonshire-street, to-morrow, when the prizes awarded in connection with the railway stations' garden competition for 1907 will be announced. The continued dry weather is likely to have its effect upon the display of blooms, but the exhibition is being looked forward to by railway people with a good deal of interest.

Dilatory Councils.—At its meeting on Tuesday the Board of Health had under consideration a report from the medical officer of health for the Hunter River combined district regarding the failure of the municipal council of Wallsend to carry out inspection of dairy premises in its district. The board was of opinion that such laxity on the part of the local authority was very reprehensible, and directed that a letter should be sent to the council requiring it to forthwith take steps to carry out the duties of inspection imposed upon it by the Dairies' Supervision Act in a proper and efficient manner, failing which the board would have to consider what action it should take to enforce proper supervision. The board also found it necessary to direct that the special attention of the Gundagai Municipal Council should be drawn to the lax and inefficient supervision at present exercised by it in respect to dairy inspections, and to the necessity for improvement.

The Passing of Arthur.—Dr. Arthur came to the Ulster banquet, president of the Immigration League of Australia, and left it having no connection with that body. While the north of Irelanders were enjoying to the full a convivial gathering, the member for Middle Harbour left, and after having, as he expressed it, "given them a piece of his mind," resigned from the body which, he declared, had done all in its power to block immigration into Australia. Dr. Arthur referred to a new league which would do ten times the work of the old one. No greater work could be undertaken than to keep Australia for the Empire, to bring British immigrants here against the day when we must face the alien hordes or be swamped.

Hawkesbury River-Pittwater Round Trips.—The Government Tourist Bureau is arranging for a weekly programme of attractive trips during the summer season, and in order that the trips will not clash in any way, it has been decided to alter the weekday running of the Hawkesbury River-Newport round trip from Wednesday to Tuesday. The tour this year has been most successful, and it is not anticipated that the alteration will make any difference to the people—mostly visitors from other parts—who wish to avail themselves of the trip in midweek. Wednesday's programme will provide for an all-day trip to National Park. Heretofore it has been the practice to run a train to National Park on Wednesday afternoon only, but beginning in December, and continuing through January and February, the Railway Commissioners have, at the request of the bureau, arranged for a morning train to run to the Park and return in the evening.

The Largest Vessel.—The Mauretania is 6in deeper than her sister ship the Lusitania, and 700 tons more in gross tonnage. By virtue of this lead she is the largest vessel ever built. Her principal dimensions are:—Length, over all, 785ft, length between perpendiculars 760ft, beam 88ft, depth 60½ft, gross tonnage 33,200, maximum draught 37ft, corresponding to a displacement of 43,000 tons.

Infectious Diseases.—The return of infectious diseases for the fortnight ended October 21, supplied by the Board of Health, shows that 35 cases of typhoid fever, with three deaths, were reported. Eleven cases (one death) occurred in the metropolitan districts, three cases in the Hunter River districts, and 21 cases (two deaths) in the remainder of the State. The scarlet fever record, with 136 cases and three deaths, was high. Sixty-five cases (two deaths) belonged to the metropolitan area, 41 cases to the Hunter River districts, and 30 cases (one death) to the remainder of the State. Seven cases occurred in the city, seven in Waverley, seven in Tarro Shire, seven in Hamilton, and 13 in Newcastle. There were 61 cases of diphtheria during the fortnight, 37 (with one death) having occurred in the metropolitan districts, two cases in the Hunter River districts, and 22 in the remainder of the State.

King's Birthday Holiday.—Under the Bank Holidays Amendment Act, King's Birthday is one of those holidays which are celebrated on the Monday *following* the day upon which they fall; consequently, as November 9 falls this year on Saturday week, the holiday will be observed on Monday, November 11.

New Australian Liners.—Messrs. William Lund and Son, of the Blue Anchor Line, placed an order in September, with Messrs. Workman, Clark, and Co., Ltd., of Belfast, for two large twin-screw steamers. The vessels are to be generally similar to, but somewhat larger than, the Commonwealth, which was constructed by Messrs. Barclay, Curle, and Co., of Whiteinch, some time ago. The Commonwealth is 450ft long and 6600 tons gross, and her twin engines have an i.h.p. of 5500. The inclination to build larger and larger vessels for the Australian trade is now nearly general, for the Aberdeen line has a vessel of 12,000 tons on the stocks at Messrs. Harland and Wolff's, Belfast.

Plea for a Gun License.—"S.P.Q.R." wants boys as well as certain birds protected from the pea-rifle. He says:—"In your report of the Ornithologists' Congress, Mr. M'Intosh, of S.A., is credited with saying he was going to wake up the police in South Australia, and 'see that every boy possessed of a pea-rifle took out a license.' But in this free New South Wales any boy can carry a pea-rifle or any other sort of a firearm without asking anyone's permission, dangerous to themselves and everyone else. If they want to protect the protected (?) birds here, why don't they try to get the Government to pass a Gun License Bill, with or without a fee. I would be satisfied without any fee."

The Railway Department announces the running of a special cheap excursion train in connection with the Melbourne Cup, leaving Sydney at 9.20 a.m. to-morrow.

In connection with the anniversary celebrations of the Prohibition Party of N.S.W., a social evening was held in the Protestant Hall last night. In the absence of the president, Mr. W. Robson, M.L.C., Mr. W. J. Green presided. Rev. R. B. S. Hammond delivered an address on temperance work, illustrated by lantern views. A sale of work was held, at which articles unsold at the recent bazaar were submitted.

"Piscator" writes to say that the National Park Trust should prevent net-hauling at Jibbon Beach, Port Hacking. The place should be regarded as a State nursery, and as one of the few estuaries free for fish to breed in.

Inspectors of the Health Board report having examined 308 dairies in the Bega, Gundagai, and Maitland (at Lochinvar) districts. The milch cows inspected numbered 8691, and 22 were condemned.

Some time ago the Public Service Board concluded the hearing of appeals against the regrading of officers, and in many cases salaries were increased. Replying to a question by Mr. Beeby in the Assembly last night, the Treasurer stated that the payment of the increases must await the passing of the Estimates.

An elaborate illustrated catalogue is published elsewhere by Messrs. Gowing Bros., of George-street. It deals with "the requirements for men and boys" in clothing, and comprehends everything from swimming costumes to the most correct dress.

Tuesday, November 12, has been proclaimed a public holiday in the districts of Balranald, Euston, Oxley, and Moulamein.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Fisher was yesterday elected leader of the Labour party in succession to Mr. Watson. Originally there were three candidates, Messrs. Fisher, Hughes, and Spence, and an exhaustive ballot was taken, resulting in Messrs Hughes and Spence dropping out. Mr. Fisher was declared unanimously elected.

The death took place yesterday of Mr. James Watson, M.L.C., at the age of 70 years. The deceased gentleman had been in delicate health for about a month, having contracted a cold on Eight Hours' Day. Mr. Watson was a native of Portadown, County of Armagh, Ireland. He was born December 17, 1837, and received his primary education at the school attached to the Church of England in his native town. He arrived in Sydney in 1856, and first entered business at Young, then known as Lambing Flat, where he with his brother traded for some years as Watson Bros. In February, 1869, Mr. Watson joined the firm of Messrs. John Frazer and Company, wholesale merchants, of York-street. He was regarded as one of the soundest of commercial men, and an excellent financier. He was for a number of years chairman of the City Bank. Mr. Watson first entered Parliament in 1869, being elected for the Lachlan district. He sat for that constituency for many years. His speeches in the House were remarkable for clearness, and good common sense. Mr. Watson was appointed Colonial Treasurer in Sir Henry Parkes's Administration, December, 1878. He was subsequently appointed to the Upper House, a seat in which Chamber he retained until his death. Mr. Watson was a widower, and left two sons and four daughters. His sons are Dr. Frederick Watson, of Orange, and Mr. Herbert Fraser Watson, barrister-at-law. Mrs. Acland, wife of Mr. H. D. Acland, barrister of Ashburton, New Zealand, and Mrs. Osborne, wife of Mr. Stuart Osborne, of the firm of Messrs. Wilkinson and Osborne, solicitors, are two of the daughters. The other two are single and resided at home with their father. The funeral will leave Glanworth, Darling Point, the residence of the deceased, at 2 o'clock to-day, and from the mortuary station will proceed by special train at 3 o'clock to the necropolis at Rookwood.

Mr. Henry Clarke, ex-M.L.A., has been confined to his bed since Friday, with a serious illness. Mr. Clarke apparently enjoyed the best of health until early on Friday morning, when he suffered a stroke of paralysis. His condition is still serious.

Mr. A. C. Chandler, who was hon. secretary to the Waverley Bowling Club and one of its vice-presidents, was made the recipient yesterday of a presentation by the members.

The death is announced of Henry James, a resident of Lithgow for 33 years, in his 79th year. Deceased was for a number of years manager of the Lloyd smelting works at Lithgow, and was brother-in-law to the late Mr. Lewis Lloyd.

Miss Beatrice Irwin, of the Julius Knight Company, now in Melbourne, has been compelled to retire from the stage for the present. Miss Irwin has been suffering from a severe nervous strain during the past few weeks, and her medical adviser considers a temporary rest from her duties imperative.

Mrs. R. Geddes Crawford, who has just concluded a lecturing tour of the New England district and Southern Queensland, leaves Sydney to-day for New Zealand.

Bishop Barlow will leave Goulburn for Melbourne on Monday evening to catch the R.M.S. Orontes for England. He returns after the Lambeth Congress Conference.

Sir Matthew Henry Stephen, who was recently appointed to the State Children's Relief Board, vice Lady Allen resigned, took his seat at the monthly meeting of that body on Tuesday.

A special vote of thanks was accorded to Colonel Burns by the State Children's Relief Board at Tuesday's meeting for his munificent gift of five acres of land at Pennant Hills for the purposes of the cottage homes for invalid State children. The board expressed its warm appreciation of the public spirit displayed by Colonel Burns in his cordial co-operation in the effort to ameliorate the condition of the afflicted waifs and strays of the community.

Mr. G. M. Hocking, who held the position of postmaster at Manly for the past 17 years, and possesses 45 years' service in the department, was on his retirement on Monday presented by the staff with a silver-mounted oak biscuit barrel. Mr. Lee, senior assistant, made the presentation.

A presentation will be made at 4.30 p.m. to-day by Mr. F. E. Winchcombe, M.L.C., President of the Chamber of Commerce, to Mr. H. Small, who for 43 years has been associated with the Royal Exchange.

Mr. Edward William Knox has been appointed a trustee of the National Art Gallery of New South Wales in the place of Mr. Arthur Collingridge, deceased.

The Acting Under-Secretary for Lands and Acting Chief Surveyor (Mr. R. M'Donald) has been appointed a member of the board to make the half-yearly inspection of gold bullion and coin in the Sydney branch of the Royal Mint.

Dr. Donald Wallace has been appointed acting medical superintendent at the Coast Hospital, Little Bay, pending a permanent appointment, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. A. G. Henry.

Mr. James Douglas Stewart, M.R.C.V.S., Government Veterinary Surgeon, who has been acting for some time past as Chief Inspector of Stock and Registrar of Brands, has been permanently appointed to the latter position in place of Mr. H. D. Jones, retired.

A very well-known resident of the Windsor district, Mr. Thomas Arndell, died at his residence, Macquarie, Pitt Town, yesterday. The late Mr. Arndell was 83 years of age.

Mr. William Holmes Nisbet, well known in mercantile circles of this city as the managing director of the Westinghouse Brake Co., died yesterday at the age of 44.

THE FROZEN SOUTH.

MESSAGE FROM LIEUTENANT SHACKLETON.

The following cable message was received yesterday by the hon. secretary of the Royal Geographical Society of Australasia (Mr. Crummer), from Lieutenant E. H. Shackleton, leader of the British Antarctic Expedition of 1907:—

"Will go overland from Adelaide, so as to be in Sydney in ample time to lecture on December 6. The ship will be in Sydney during 1908. Will leave ship Sydney and lecture on final return. Will present full set of zoological specimens to museum."

WATER FAMINE AT ROOTY HILL.

ROOTY HILL, Wednesday.

With the exception of a very light shower of rain on Saturday last, no fall has occurred, and water for domestic purposes is becoming very scarce. Water is now being sold from private sources at a shilling a load, which is being availed of by a large number of settlers. A fair amount of fodder from the Sydney market has been distributed here.

TO-DAY.

Royal Society's Rooms: Clarke Memorial Lecture, 8.
Allen Memorial Church, Glebe: Bazaar, 3.
X Rays, Massage Demonstration: 132 Pitt-street, 8.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Tom Moore," 8.
Theatre Royal: "Brewster's Millions," 8.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 7.45.
Criterion Theatre: "The Female Swindler," 8.
National Amphitheatre: Vaudeville, 8.
Oxford Theatre: Picturescope Company, 8.
Clay's Vaudeville: Town Hall, Parramatta, 8.
Zoological Gardens: 10 a.m.
Bondi Beach Skating Rink: 10 to 10.
Victoria Hall: Picturescope, 8.
Queen's Hall: London Bio-Tableaux, 8.
Glaciarium, George-street West: 10.
Pennydom Concerts, Pitt-street: 7.30.
Wonderland City, Bondi: 10.
The Figure Eight, Coogee: 3.30.

"Constant Traveller" complains that to reach Manly by the 10.30 boat from Circular Quay she is compelled to leave the Milson's Point line at 9 p.m. The authorities point out that "Constant Traveller" could catch the 9.30 Manly boat. It is not intended to alter the Manly time-table at present; but something may be done when the new steamer is put on the service.

During last week 1386 rats and 537 mice were destroyed under the supervision of the Board of Health. The numbers microscopically examined were 352 rats and 142 mice, and one mouse was found to be plague infected.

PITH OF THE BUDGET.

Revenue for the year ended June 30 last (including £896,124 brought forward)	£14,529,437
Expenditure for the year	£13,058,093
Surplus	£1,471,344
Estimated revenue for the year ending June 30, 1908	£12,799,946
Estimated expenditure for the year	£11,949,048
Estimated surplus	£850,896

During the last three years there has been a rising tide of prosperity, and with careful management of the public funds a financial position of unexampled strength has been attained.

The Government feels that the time has come when the financial burdens of the people should be further reduced, and something done to help producers and others to make good the losses suffered during the years of drought.

There are two periods in the life of a country when the Government needs to act with great care and judgment in the administration of the finances—when the revenue is shrinking and when the Treasury is overflowing.

If taxation be not decreased at the present juncture the tendency would be to increase expenditure in all the public services; and when the lean days come it would be found that the field of taxation had been exhausted.

The Government is determined to give substantial help to those who through sickness or accident have been rendered incapable of earning a livelihood. A scheme of pensions for such people is estimated to cost £40,000 per annum, and will take effect from January 1, 1908.

The Government is fully alive to the financial situation so far as it may be affected by drought, and in framing the Estimates has kept constantly in view the influences that may affect revenue and expenditure.

The consolidated revenue account last year showed the enormous increase of £1,109,000 over the amount received during the year immediately preceding.

The net revenue and receipts collected during the last year were as follow:—From Governmental undertakings, £6,958,953; from business undertakings, £6,433,476; advances recovered, £14,108; total, £13,406,543. This added to the balance brought forward made £14,302,667 available for expenditure.

The public works fund, established to secure the greater portion of the revenue from the sale of Crown lands being used for unproductive works of a permanent character, showed receipts to June 30 last of £720,221. The expenditure reached £427,597, leaving a credit balance at the close of the year of £292,624.

The closer settlement fund showed receipts to June 30 totalling £484,490, and expenditure £236,234, leaving a credit balance of £198,256.

Increases of revenue for the past year, as compared with the preceding year, included the following:—Commonwealth revenue returned to the State, £279,000; land revenue, £150,000; stamps, £53,000; income tax, £17,000; land tax, £15,000; railways and tramways, £544,000; and Harbour Trust and Water and Sewerage Board, £34,000.

Loan expenditure was the lowest for ten years. On reproductive works £1,020,384 was spent; on works indirectly reproductive, £125,002; and on unproductive works, £87,786. Total, £1,233,172. Repayments to credit of loan votes on account of issues of previous years were received to the extent of £174,619, and credited to loan account, which closed with a credit balance of £557,025.

The public debt on June 30, 1906, stood at £85,641,733. On June 30, 1907, it stood at £85,607,331. Taking the value of the outstanding stock, debentures, and bills, less cash in hand at the end of each of the two periods, the position was improved during the year ended June 30 last to the extent of £722,863.

If the value of our railways, tramways, Water and Sewerage Board works, harbour trusts, and resumptions were capitalised on a 3½ per cent. basis on their net return, those properties would be worth £86,507,000. Add to this cash in hand on June 30 last to the amount of £5,287,133, they had living, growing assets worth £91,794,133, as against £85,607,831 owing at the end of June.

It is proposed to at once reduce the income tax by extending the limit of exemption on incomes derived from personal exertion to £1000. This means that 21,000 persons will be freed from taxation to the extent of £83,000.

Stamp duties are to be abolished as from January 1 next, involving a remission for the half-year of £25,000 in respect of receipts, £25,000 in respect of cheques, and £15,000 in respect of stamps on pro. notes and bills of exchange.

Revenue will be remitted this year to the aggregate amount of £550,000, and next year to a larger amount.

A subsidy of £195,000 for the year will be granted to the shire councils for local government purposes, and £50,000 will be provided from the Public Works account for special grants to municipalities and shire councils.

Of 5366 teachers in the Public Service 4287 will receive increases. A sum of £59,346 has been set apart for this purpose. A further sum of £80,000 will be provided to build new schools and teachers' residences.

The estimated surplus of revenue over expenditure for the current financial year is £850,896. This added to the net credit balance carried forward from last year makes an aggregated surplus of £1,863,831.

The receipts of the Public Works fund for the year are estimated at £1,080,408, which, added to £292,624 brought forward, makes a grand total of £1,373,032 available for expenditure. The expenditure for the year is estimated at £1,371,512.

The Government will only ask for leave to expend loan money on what will be reproductive works, and most of them highly reproductive, and will limit loan expenditure to about £3,300,000.

Railways and tramways last year yielded a net return of £4 19s 4d per cent. on the capital invested.

The Harbour Trust yielded £4 5s 2d per cent. on capital invested.

The Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage yielded £4 3s 8d per cent., and the Hunter District Water and Sewerage Board yielded £5 14s 1d per cent.

The Observatory Hill resumption cost £1,197,415, and was the only one of the five great groups of reproducing State assets that has not earned its interest, the net return being only £2 9s 4d per cent.

MURDER AT CLONCURRY.

ACCUSED SENTENCED TO DEATH.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

John Patterson pleaded guilty at the Supreme Court to-day to shooting William Neale at Cloncurry. He said he shot Neale because he poisoned his dog. He was sentenced to death.

Stock Exchange investors and speculators should never miss the notes in the "Sydney Mail" detailing the Stock and Share market. The advice and hints given in the latter are always well worth careful scrutiny.—Advt.

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THE GERMAN SCANDAL.

EMPEROR'S PROMPTNESS PRAISED.

TO WHOM IS CREDIT?

PRINCE OR SOCIALIST.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Judgment was given in Berlin yesterday in the action for libel brought by Count Kuno Moltke, formerly Commandant of Berlin, against Herr Harden, editor of "Zukunft," a socialist newspaper, on account of an exposure of the Eulenburg "circle," of which the newspaper alleged Count Kuno Moltke was a member.

The Judge held that although the statements in the "Zukunft" were libellous Herr Harden had proved his assertions that Count Kuno Moltke had an abnormal temperament. Although Count Kuno Moltke exhibited effeminate characteristics, the Judge did not consider that it had been established that he had committed illegal offences.

Count Kuno Moltke was mulcted in costs. An appeal is expected.

The acquittal of Herr Harden was greeted with loud applause and some hisses.

While some German newspapers sympathise with Count Kuno Moltke, others express surprise that no high official or statesman had the courage to protest to the Throne against such a terrible scandal.

The "Cologne Gazette" asserts that the credit of lancing the malignant tumor belongs to the Crown Prince, who brought the articles under the notice of the Emperor, not to Herr Harden, the publisher of the articles.

The "Times" writes that the only satisfactory aspect of the Harden-Moltke trial is the prompt and decided manner in which the German Emperor and the Crown Prince stamped out the poisonous elements in the Court circle.

Considering the deliberate attempt made to lower the German Emperor's prestige by representing him as the dupe of a clique of depraved intriguers, the "Times" thinks it very mysterious that Prince Bulow, the Imperial Chancellor, who was cited as a witness for the defence, preferred not to appear.

The "Daily Telegraph" applauds the conduct of the German Emperor and the Crown Prince. The newspaper states that the trial has exposed a few guilty souls, but the Sovereign and the nation are unscathed.

PARTIES IN THE DUMA.

MAJORITY FOR GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

The state of parties in the new Duma is:—Oppositionists 62, Reactionaries 163, lukewarm Progressives and Octobrists 99. The Government has thus the strongest party.

READY FOR DEATH.

WOMAN ASSASSIN'S CONCEALED BOMB.

On cautiously searching immediately on her arrest the woman who assassinated State Councillor Maximowsky, of the Prisons Department at St. Petersburg, the police found an infernal machine on her bosom ready to explode by means of appliances concealed under the armpits.

MUTINY AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

Reuter's correspondent at Vladivostock reports that a number of sappers mutinied and attacked barracks where the 10th Rifle Brigade was quartered.

When confronted with machine guns the mutineers surrendered. Two men were killed and five others were wounded.

CURBING THE LORDS.

MORE IMPORTANT THAN REFORM.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Mr. H. H. Asquith, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking at Newport, said he was prepared to give open-minded and fair consideration to any practical scheme for reforming the House of Lords, but the power of unlimited veto must first be removed from that House.

MARSHALL ISLANDS TRADE.

BURNS, PHILP, AND CO.'S CLAIM.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

It is understood that consideration of the claim of Burns, Philp, and Co. for £12,750 against the German Government, on account of trade restrictions in the Marshall Islands, has been delayed owing to the absence in Africa of Herr Dernburg, Director of Colonial Affairs. Herr Dernburg returns to Berlin next week.

[In the second of the series of articles on the Pacific Islands, on page 10 of this issue some account of the transaction will be found.]

CANADA'S PREFERENCES.

ITALY AND GERMANY.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada, will negotiate preferential trade treaties with Italy and Germany next year.

TRANSMUTATION OF PRECIOUS STONES.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

M. Bordas, a French savant, has informed the Academy of Sciences that corundum is transformed into rubies and topazes under the action of radium.

THE INCOME TAX.

INCREASED NUMBER OF PAYERS.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

Now that employers are required to declare the amount of salaries of all their employees, instead of only giving the names of those liable to pay income tax, several millions sterling are coming in from new payers.

CENSORSHIP OF PLAYS.

ABOLITION URGED.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

Seventy-seven authors and playwrights have written to Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, the Prime Minister, asking for the abolition of the censorship of plays.

Many theatrical managers, however, refuse to join in the agitation.

AMERICAN MONEY CRISIS

PANIC DIMINISHING.

IMMENSE GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Owing to the stringency of cash and the general restriction in stock dealing and banking business throughout the United States, banks in San Francisco are issuing Clearing House certificates.

Mr. G. B. Cortelyou, Secretary to the Treasury of the United States, announces that the Government has deposited £42,723,048 with the national banks, and that of this amount £14,000,000 has been deposited since September.

The Reichsbank of Berlin has raised the rate of discount to 6½ per cent., in order to prevent the export of gold to New York.

Runs on the Trust Company of America (New York) and other trusts were resumed yesterday in diminished volume.

Officials of several suspended trusts and state banks anticipate resuming business on Monday.

FALL IN CONSOLS.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Consols were quoted yesterday at £82, a fall of £1 since Thursday last.

SPANISH ROYALTY IN DANGER.

TRAIN ACCIDENTALLY DERAILED.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

A train which was conveying King Alfonso, Queen Victoria, and their son, en route to England, was derailed when entering Cherbourg. The Royal party escaped injury. One of the railway employees was seriously hurt.

Their Majesties will arrive in London to-night.

THE RAILWAY CRISIS.

GENERAL STRIKE IMPOSSIBLE.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

The congress of the National Free Labour Association passed a resolution condemning the action of Mr. Bell, M.P., secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, in connection with the railway dispute.

Mr. Collinson, secretary to the congress, declares that the association is able to offer the railway companies two men for every striker. He considered that a general strike on the railways was impossible.

A PRIEST EXCOMMUNICATED.

CRITICISING THE POPE.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

The Pope has excommunicated Father George Tyrrell for publishing in the "Times" two articles criticising the recent encyclical of his Holiness on "Modernism."

Relations between Father George Tyrrell and his official superiors have been strained for many months. A little over 12 months ago his affairs reached a crisis, and he was expelled from the Society of Jesus on account of his publication of advanced views. It is now nearly eight weeks that the "Giornale di Italia" of Rome announced that Father Tyrell had been granted permission to celebrate mass, he having forwarded to the Roman authorities a declaration that he would never publish anything without the consent of the ecclesiastical authorities. This statement was subsequently modified by a letter from Father Tyrell as follows: "The statement that I have been restored to my ecclesiastical rights is somewhat premature. At most there is question of the removal of a condition which I could never accept, and which has hitherto caused a deadlock. If I should be restored it will only be on the conditions obligatory on every priest by the common law; and the privacy of my correspondence will be inviolable."

INCREASED DEMAND FOR TEA.

RISE IN PRICES.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

Owing to increased demand in Russia, Australia, and India the price of tea has risen 80 per cent. this year, and during the past three weeks by a penny per pound.

THE GERMAN LOAD-LINE.

ASSIMILATING WITH BRITISH.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

Initial steps have been taken at Hamburg to assimilate next year the load-line for ships adopted by Germany with that of Great Britain.

GENERAL ELECTION PREDICTED.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

The Hon. Victor Cavendish, M.P., speaking at Wicksworth, said he believed there will be a general election in Great Britain in March next.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LORD GORMANSTON DEAD.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

The death is announced of Lord Gormanston, formerly Governor of Tasmania, aged 70.

MISS CARRIE HAASE.

Miss Carrie Haase gave a successful recital in the Aeolian Hall, and she received favourable notices in the newspapers.

HARTWELL DIVORCE SUIT.

Lady Hartwell has obtained a divorce from her husband, Sir Brodrick Hartwell, on the ground of misconduct with Joan Chamberlain.

[Sir Brodrick Hartwell and Mrs. Chamberlain were in Sydney at the beginning of the year, and afterwards went cruising in the islands in the yacht Stanley. In May last Engineer-Lieutenant Chamberlain obtained a divorce from Mrs. Chamberlain on the ground of misconduct with Sir Brodrick Hartwell.]

INSURANCE DIRECTOR SENTENCED.

Dr. Gillette, formerly vice-president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, has been sentenced in that city to six months' imprisonment for perjury in reference to a banking balance.

DEATH OF MR. GERALD MASSEY.

The death is announced of Mr. Gerald Massey, poet, aged 79 years.

[Gerald Massey had published many poems, and on two occasions, following the example of many others in literature, attempted to solve the mystery of Shakespeare's sonnets, his views being published in "Shakespeare's Sonnets Never Before Interpreted," 1866, and the "Secret Drama of Shakespeare's Sonnets," 1888. Many years ago he visited Australia.]

COPPER FOR CHINA.

It is estimated that 10,000,000lb of copper was sold in America yesterday to China.

GREAT BOULDER MAIN REEF.

The Great Boulder Main Reef, Western Australia, with a capital of £65,000, has been registered.

FIGHTING SOCIALISM.

LIBERAL AND CONSERVATIVE PLANS.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Lord Milner, speaking at Guildford, urged Unionists to adopt a constructive policy, by avowing clearly defined principles. "The true antidote to revolutionary socialism," he said, "is practical social reform."

Mr. R. B. Haldane, Secretary of State for War, in the course of a speech at Newcastle, said he feared that socialism was tending towards a Tory reaction. Some of the aspirations of advanced socialism would be best realised by sticking to the solid and substantial if humdrum methods of Liberalism.

THE TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

At the sales of Australian and New Zealand tallow to-day, 1800 casks were offered, and 300 were sold. Prices were unchanged as follow: Mutton, fine 36/3, medium 33/6; beef, fine 35/, medium 33/ per cwt.

POISONED CATTLE.

585 DIE IN A NIGHT.

ESTIMATED LOSS, £4000.

GUNNEDAH, Wednesday.

A mob of 635 head of cattle arrived here from Wee Waa yesterday, en route for Walcha, the property of Mr. Cruickshank, drover Smith in charge. They were put in the hands of Ewing and Berry for sale at £4 per head. They were driven to Noggabri reserve, five miles from the town, and camped there for the night.

This morning 585 were found dead. The cause of death is presumably eating thistles after a light shower of rain.

The Stock-inspector, Mr. Dowe, of Tamworth, was wired to this morning to come and inspect them.

Meanwhile, all available men have been engaged to skin the carcases at 2s per head, and carters at 15s per day have been engaged to cart wood to burn the bodies.

The loss to the owner is roughly estimated at £4000.

NO MORE SIXPENNY MEALS.

FURTHER INCREASES LIKELY.

THE "SECOND HELPING" CUSTOMER.

A meeting of the Sydney Restaurant-keepers' Association was held last night at McEwan's Cafe, George-street. Mr. W. G. McDonald was voted to the chair. There was a fairly large attendance.

The chief business before the meeting was to discuss whether the tariff would be raised. At the previous meeting it was resolved to raise the price of 6d meals to 7d. Discussion was carried on in an informal manner, but the various speakers declined to disclose their names to the press.

The acting secretary reported that the clients seemed quite satisfied that an increase should be made. All but about five of the restaurant-keepers had signified their intention of observing the increase.

A member in black: Even the customers admit that they don't know how we make a profit at present.

The acting secretary: All the members of the association who carried on business in Oxford-street were agreeable to the increase.

A member with sandy whiskers: The prices of tea, oatmeal, and cornflour have been raised, bacon is also likely to become dearer, whilst the rates for vegetables have been considerably increased.

The acting secretary thought that delegates from the association should wait on those restaurant-keepers who would not raise their charges.

A member of striking appearance: I've resolved to charge 1s instead of 9d after Monday, even if I have to shut up shop. At present I'm not making any profit.

A quiet member thought it would be unwise to raise prices. The present state of affairs was due to their past actions. A 6d meal was at one time a very simple affair, but as competition became keener the restaurant-keeper was forced to give extras. Fourteen or fifteen years ago there were no such things as veal and pork on alternate days, with chicken on Sunday. The men who did these sort of things ruined themselves as well as the trade. His suggestion was to serve the 6d meals as they were in the old days. If a man wanted a second helping, charge him extra for it.

A firm member: A uniform menu would adjust matters. A select committee should be appointed to draft one.

An ambitious member said he knew of instances where fruit was given at a 6d meal. Personally he would like to see a 500 per cent. increase instead of only a penny.

The chairman: I only put veal or pork on once a week, and I had no complaints. Still business is not paying me at 6d a meal. A deputation should wait on those who are now standing out.

A member with check trousers thought the Federal Government should be appealed to to stop the exportation of wheat. The Government stepped in and said that shops must close at certain hours, so the Labour party should see that rents were regulated. High rents were a curse to shopkeepers, and were keeping them out of their just profits.

A member with a reproving air: That is socialism.

The ambitious member: I don't care what it is. (Laughter.)

About 100 signed their names as being agreeable to in future charge 7d instead of 6d, and 1s in lieu of 9d. A deputation will wait on those who have resolved not to increase their prices.

The meeting was adjourned until Monday night.

PARLIAMENTARY METHODS.

CANDID LABOUR MEMBER.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Speaking at the social of the Bendigo branch of the Amalgamated Miners' Association, Mr. D. Smith, M.L.A., said:—"The State Parliament, and Parliaments as a whole, are very much composed of what I call humbug. I don't say this on the spur of the moment—I say it in what is called cold blood. If the people of the State saw but one-half of what I was going to call the silliness of State Parliaments they would certainly go for an alteration very speedily. (Laughter and applause.) At the sitting on Thursday two or three men completely blocked the whole of the business before the House. Ten solid hours, not only on that day, but on the day previous, were wasted in a discussion as to whether a bill was to be called by a specific title or not. (Laughter.) These are men who call themselves legislators in the interests of their bleeding country. (Laughter.) I think a very great deal of their patriotism is very much akin to that of Artemus Ward, who said that he was willing that the war might go on, in order that he might show his patriotism—until all his wife's relations had been killed. (Laughter.) There are a good many of our Parliamentarians who are afflicted by a patriotism of that kind. They seem not to care who suffers so long as their own skin is not touched. (Laughter.)

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

A MAN'S ARM ALMOST TORN OFF.

About 9 a.m. yesterday John Waite, 22 years of age, residing at 5 Campbell-terrace, Point Piper-road, Woollahra, was working in the Standard Steam Laundry, Dowling-street, Woolloomooloo. He went to what is known as the centrifugal wringer, when his right arm was caught in the machine and was dreadfully crushed and mangled before he was extricated. He was taken to the Sydney Hospital, where he was admitted by Dr. Stokes in a somewhat low condition. Later in the day the arm was amputated by Dr. Bowker. How the accident happened could not be exactly ascertained, but Waite had been employed in the laundry for only two days prior to the accident.

MOTOR FATALITY.

DOCTOR COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

At the City Police Court to-day, Dr. Arthur Charles Frederick Halford, medical practitioner, was committed for trial, charged, on remand with unlawfully killing Amelia Down, whom he knocked down with his motor car.

FEDERAL LABOUR LEADER.

MR. ANDREW FISHER ELECTED.

TWO OTHERS NOMINATED.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Intense interest was manifested to-day in connection with the election of a new leader of the Federal Labour party in succession to Mr. Watson, and the result, as anticipated, was the selection of Mr. Andrew Fisher, the deputy leader of the party, who represents the Queensland electorate of Wide Bay. The caucus assembled at 11 o'clock, and three nominations were received—those of Messrs. Hughes, the representative of West Sydney, Spence, who represents the New South Wales electorate of The Darling, and Fisher. The voting, which was conducted by secret ballot, was carried out on the exhaustive principle, the retiring leader acting in the capacity of returning officer. The first vote was taken at about noon, and soon afterwards it was announced that Messrs. Hughes and Spence had been rejected, although the actual state of voting was not divulged. In order that a unanimous vote might be arrived at the defeated candidates, Messrs. Hughes and Spence renominated and seconded Mr. Fisher, who was thereupon declared unanimously elected.

The announcement was received with cheers. Mr. Fisher thanked his colleagues for the honour which had been conferred upon him. A vote of thanks was then passed to Mr. Watson, and it was decided to place his great services to labour on record.

MR. WATSON ENTERTAINED.

A CHARACTERISTICALLY MODEST SPEECH.

REASONS FOR HIS RETIREMENT.

This afternoon the late Labour leader was entertained by his colleagues at luncheon at Parliament House, and was presented with a massive and richly designed service of plate. The new leader of the party presided, and the Senate and Victorian Labour party were represented. Apologies were received from many prominent labourites, including Mr. M'Gowen, the leader of the Opposition in the New South Wales Parliament.

The chairman said that the regret at Mr. Watson's retirement extended throughout the whole of Australia. He need scarcely say, however, that there was not one member in the party or outside it who did not feel utterly incapable of following in Mr. Watson's footsteps. (Cheers.)

Mr. Watson, who in rising to respond, was received with loud and continuous applause, after thanking his colleagues for the handsome presentation, said, referring to his resignation, that the people for whose opinion he had far and away the chief regard were those who had worked shoulder to shoulder with him during the last 16 or 17 years. It was to their praise or blame that one would look for a criterion as to the work attempted by himself during that period, and it was certainly a most gratifying feature that the people within the movement throughout the continent were unanimous in expressing the same appreciation of the work that he had been able to accomplish, however modest that work may have been. (Cheers.) He wanted to say, first and foremost, that there was not one member who could exhibit a keener appreciation of the goodwill of the members of the Federal Labour party than he was able to do. (Hear, hear). They had differed at times on matters of detail—that was inevitable among men of strong opinion and of strong character—(cheers)—but that difference had never concerned or been concerned with the principles of the party. (Applause.) He thought it would be a fitting thing, after seven years' experience of the inner working of the party, if he publicly stated that there had never been one occasion on which it had been necessary to remind members of their written pledges. (Loud applause.) He wanted, further, to say that members of the party had always exhibited towards him the utmost generosity. As to the reasons for his retirement he wanted at once to say that it was not any question of criticism of his actions that had caused him to come to the determination that he had with a great deal of reluctance arrived at. (Hear, hear). His retirement was due to the fact that he was convinced that after struggling with a bad condition of health for a considerable time he was unable to give that service to the party which the exigencies of party warfare and the interests of those who had so unselfishly worked for the party outside demanded at their hands. There was before the party in the near future a big effort—that was inevitable. (Cheers.) Knowing his physical unfitness for the task ahead he considered that someone else should take that work in hand. A good deal had been said by people outside, and various reasons had been given for his retirement. One foolish idea that had been promulgated was that he had made enough money on which to retire. (Loud laughter.) He could at once dismiss that question with the ridicule it deserved. Cheers, and a voice: "It is unfortunately untrue." Laughter and cheers). Another suggestion that had been put forward was that he had at last become convinced that the policy of the party was impossible, and that the methods of the party were not conducive to effectiveness—in other words, that the party was proceeding on wrong lines. He wanted to give that his most emphatic contradiction. (Cheers.) Although the members of the organisation did not at all times see eye to eye, and though mistakes had been made, and were to be made again in the future, he still said that their organisation, their policy, and their general ideals, were so immeasurably ahead of those of any other party in Australia that the future of the party was assured, and he for one was still heart and soul bound up with them. (Cheers.) He regarded the future of the Labour party as absolutely assured, and if he had thought that it was only by a further sacrifice of himself that the Labour party could secure success—that it was only be retaining the position that he had just vacated, that the ideas which stood would gain fruition—he would have considered it his duty to still hang on. (Cheers.) He trusted that those outside would extend to Mr. Fisher every consideration. (Cheers.) They inside the party needed no exhorting to do that.

REFERENCE IN PARLIAMENT.

APPRECIATION BY MR. DEAKIN.

In the House of Representatives this afternoon,

Mr. Watson announced that owing to the unsatisfactory condition of his health he had been constrained to resign the leadership of the Labour party, and announced that Mr. Andrew Fisher had been appointed by the party to take his place.

The Prime Minister (Mr. Deakin) said every member of the House would hear with sincere regret the cause assigned for the step which Mr. Watson had taken. Any other reason than that would have been more welcome to those who had been associated with him. He (Mr. Deakin) could say, without fear of a moment's challenge, that Mr. Watson had not a single personal antagonist in that House. (Cheers.)

Mr. Dugald Thomson, on behalf of the Opposition, said that he was quite sure that all members of the House, however much they might differ from the aims of the Labour party, and however much they might oppose the policy of Mr. Watson, had always felt a very kindly regard towards himself. (Hear, hear.)

MELBOURNE GRAIN MARKET.

EFFECT OF THE RAINFALL.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Owing to rainfall in South Australia and part of Victoria, the wheat market is easier, the quotation for old wheat being now 5s 9d. New wheat is inactive, but 10,000 bags of Western Australian resold at a concession on late rates. Flour is unchanged, the association basis being £12 15s. Bran and pollard were 1s 7d. Nominal Algerian oats opened steady. Several hundred bags sold at auction at 3s 9d to 3s 10d, but owing to rainfall buyers afterwards held off. Maize sold early at 4s 11d, but later buyers were holding off, flat red closing nominally at 4s 9d to 4s 10d.

LIGHTNING RIDGE OPAL FIELD.

AT THE LAST GASP FOR WATER.

COLLARENDABRI, Wednesday.

Good opal is still being unearthed at Lightning Ridge. The Collarendabri syndicate has obtained another £200 worth, making over £1000 out of their claim during the past three months.

There are about 300 men now on the field, and many more would go there if proper provision was made for a water supply. The only water now available is in Wallenguola tank, and, as the station-owners have thousands of sheep watering there daily, the water, what there is of it, is almost undrinkable. Unless rain falls within the next week or two, it will be necessary for the miners to cart their water from Lightning Ridge tank, seven miles away.

The miners have been petitioning and agitating for a road to be proclaimed between Lightning Ridge and Collarendabri; but the station-owners through whose property the road would pass have too much influence to allow of this urgent matter being granted. It would only require a new road, about 12 miles in length, to tap the Angledool-Collarendabri main road.

DISFRANCHISED ALDERMEN.

RESULT OF THE NEW ACT.

AN EXTRAORDINARY SITUATION.

At the end of January the Local Government Act will come into full force, with the result that the present municipalities will be swept out of existence. A curious point in connection with the measure, however, is that a number of aldermen, most of whom have served the ratepayers of their districts for many years, find themselves disfranchised. The Act provides that a voter or a candidate for election must be an owner, occupier, or lodger; but it transpires that in many cases the aldermen in providing for their wives have settled their homes on them; consequently as they cannot now be classified as either owner, occupier, or lodger, they are compelled to sever their connection with civic affairs. A regrettable feature is that many of these gentlemen have spent a great deal of time in preparing themselves for the new order, only to find that the reward is denied them. Many are keen business men, whose general knowledge has been of the greatest service in the past, and whose experience and ripe judgment in all questions appertaining to municipal or local government have been of very great value, and are likely to be much more so in connection with an Act which is very far from being thoroughly understood, even by the oldest aldermen or councillors. As one gentleman put it yesterday, it is almost necessary to be a lawyer to be even fairly well acquainted with some of its provisions.

A notable instance of this disfranchisement is provided by Alderman C. D. Websdale, Mayor of Ashfield. He said yesterday it would occasion immense surprise, almost consternation, if the number of aldermen affected by the disfranchisement were known. The percentage of those at present connected with the councils who would shortly by disfranchisement be divested of the privilege of serving the ratepayers was very large. There was another Mayor in an adjoining suburb who found himself similarly affected. As showing how serious it was for the municipalities, he pointed out that three of his fellow aldermen were disfranchised besides himself, and from what he had learned many other districts would find themselves in a similar position.

But the ill-effects of the new measure did not end there. Of the 12 aldermen representing Ashfield, some were so disgusted with the Act and the way in which they found themselves treated that they did not intend to seek re-election. Counting these, and the four disfranchised, there would be left only three men who were at all acquainted with municipal government.

"This restriction of the field for service," said Mr. Websdale in conclusion, "is one which must create a situation bordering on chaos in some large and populous areas, and which the framers of the Act never for a moment thought would arise."

THE MAIL CONTRACT.

AN ENORMOUS SUBSIDY.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The contract with the Orient Company has practically been completed. An announcement is likely to be made in Parliament to-morrow.

It is understood that the contract will provide for an extension of service to Brisbane, and that the amount of subsidy will be between £170,000 and £180,000 per annum.

INFORMATION ABOUT BETTING.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST MELBOURNE NEWSPAPERS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Chief Secretary has given instructions to the Crown Solicitor to proceed against the publishers of the "Argus" and the "Age" newspapers on a charge of having in a recent issue given information about betting in contravention of the Gambling, Betting, and Lotteries Act, 1906.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HARVEST.

A BOUNTEOUS YIELD.

PERTH, Wednesday.

Speaking at the Royal Show luncheon to-day the Premier, Mr. Moore, said that 20,000 bags of wheat would be shipped from Western Australia to England in February next. Yesterday 2200 lambs were sent away to London, and before the season ended the total shipped would reach 10,000.

Mr. Mitchell, Minister for Agriculture, declared that the harvest in Western Australia this season would be twice as heavy as that of last year. He regarded the possibilities of export this year as being one million pounds greater than last year.

LATE SPORTING.

MELBOURNE CUP MEETING.

SPORTING NOTES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Socialist was left in the Melbourne Cup on Tuesday, owing to an oversight. His owner states to-day that he would start.

There is a chance of Jack Smith running. His trainer saw the owner to-day, and as the colt has started to pick up again, the question as to whether he will run will be left over for a day or two.

The following scratchings in connection with the V.R.C. Spring Meeting were recorded to-day:—Maribyrnong Plate: Snowshoes, Coolpitta, Soma, Religieuse, Erindale, Racla, Ether, Dovedale, Walloon. Oaks Stakes: Naitooma, Gattanba, Quietist, Lady Orail, Reeba, Carrie, Gosport—Willara filly, Gosport—Iris filly, Reunalf—Amera filly. Derby: Glucose, Quietist.

This morning, being an "off" one at Flemington and Caulfield, the work on the tracks was of no particular interest. All Cup candidates trained at Flemington were out for useful exercise. Jack Smith indulged in striding work. Ebullition was sent along at a strong pace for a shot distance, and his split hoof did not seem to trouble him. Poseidon, Apologue, Welcome Trist, and other Cup horses put in an appearance at Caulfield. Maranui and Dynamite, both of whom have been under treatment, were also present, the former doing strong work.

Heavy rain spoilt the success of the Williamstown meeting to-day, and the club lost over the fixture. There were many horses on the ground, but with the course greasy, and somewhat dangerous, the scratchings were numerous after the first two races, and there were only 17 starters for the concluding four races. Some of the jockeys declined to ride. Fortunately there were no serious accidents.

H. J. Morgan, the rider of Springbank, who fell in the Hurdle Race, had one of his insteps slightly injured. In the Steeplechase Larboard fell, but his rider, H. Deeble, escaped serious injury.

Two Melbourne Cup candidates, Lady Esme and Moani, were seen out in the Altona Handicap to-day, and both were beaten by the rank outsider, Staccato. Lady Esme, who was favourite for the race, would, no doubt, have won, had the going been good. Her rider seemed to be most concerned to keep the mare on her legs. Moani, who was at one time a long way behind the field, finished very fast.

The Sydney colt Orel won the Williamstown Trial Handicap to-day, but there was probably an element of luck in the victory. At the home turn Indian Princess almost ran off the course, and yet ran a fair second. Orel lost ground at the same time, but not nearly so much as Indian Princess.

WILLIAMSTOWN RACING CLUB.

STACCATO WINS THE ALTONA HANDICAP.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Williamstown Racing Club held a meeting to-day in very unfavourable weather. There was a driving rain all the afternoon.

Details:—

Hurdle Race, 2m.—Mr. Marchbank's Encambene, by Froude—Maude, 9st 12lb (F. Cosgrove), 1; Mr. M'Cracken's Manason, 9st 5lb (R. Trainor), 2; Mr. C. Clarke's Gilfain, 9st 5lb (H. A. Deeble), 3. Betting: 7 to 2 each v Encambene and Starboard, 6 to 1 v Springbank, 7 to 1 v Manason, 8 to 1 each v Barman and Enigma, 10 to 1 v others. Won by five lengths. Time, 3m 54s.

Trial Handicap, 6f.—Mr. W. Noake's Orel, by Orzil—Kettledrum, 7st 5lb (C. Bolton), 1; Mr. Hendrick's Indian Princess, 7st 7lb (J. Pike), 2; Mr. Bell's Fordyce, 8st 13lb (Master Bell), 3. Betting: 5 to 2 v Orel, 4 to 1 each v Punch and Equiform, 10 to 1 v others. Won by a length. Brownpath and Abbey fell. Time, 1m 4½s.

Altona Handicap, 1¼m.—Mr. Netter's Staccato, by Thunderbolt—Da Capo, 8st 12lb (N. Tagell), 1; Mr. Hendrick's Lady Esme, 8st 5lb (K. Doyle), 2; Mr. Avery's Moani, 7st 9lb (E. M'Donald), 3. Betting: 6 to 4 v Lady Esme, 3 to 1 v Moani, 4 to 1 v Scotch Mist, 6 to 1 v Gelignite, 10 to 1 v Staccato. Won by a head. Time, 2m 17s.

Steeplechase, 2m.—Mr. Albert's Confusion, by Valais—Flirt, 10st 5lb (S. Cosgrove), 1; Mr. F. Howell's Emperor, 9st 3lb (J. Spooner), 2. Betting: 6 to 4 v Larboard, 2 to 1 v Confusion, 4 to 1 v Emperor, 6 to 1 v Kingbolt. Confusion came in alone. Time, 4m 17½s.

Welter Plate, 6f.—Mr. F. L. Smith's Hecuba, by Bill of Portland—Helen, 9st (W. Foulsham), 1; Mr. Addison's Wonderland, 7st 11lb (J. Liddle), 2; Messrs. Townson and Donoghue's Mahina, 7st 7lb (R. Spiers), 3. Betting: Even money on Hecuba, 5 to 2 v Mahina, 5 to 1 v Haut Gout, 7 to 1 v Wonderland. Won by four lengths. Time, 1m 18s.

Welter Purse, 6f.—Mr. H. Connolly's Rhombus, by Priam—Brown Girl, 7st 9lb (W. Foulsham), 1; Mr. J. Wilkinson's Wilgatree, 7st 13lb (W. Minter), 2; Mr. W. Rider's Beau, aged, 7st 9lb (J. Lane), 3. These were the only starters. Betting: 6 to 4 v Beau, 7 to 4 v Rhombus, 2 to 1 v Wilgatree. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m 20s.

ESKBANK IRONWORKS.

GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE ASKED FOR.

STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER.

In the Legislative Assembly last night, Mr Ball asked the Premier if it was a fact, as rumoured in Sydney, that the Eskbank Ironworks were unable to complete their contract with the Government.

The Premier said the position was scarcely such as would be indicated by answering "yes" to the question. The Eskbank Iron Company had been putting out pig iron from its blast furnaces since May last. At the present time it had not adequate steel furnaces to convert the pig into steel. During the past few days an application had been made to the Government for some assistance to enable the company to attain its ambition. It was pointed out that, under the contract made 18 months ago, the various Government departments were large consumers of iron from these works, and their prospective dealings with the company would run to £100,000 in the next year or so, and perhaps there would be an increase. Moreover the schedule prices under the contract, at which the Government could secure iron, were actually less than the Government would pay on the open market. It was urged that under these conditions it was the duty of the Government to help towards the continuance of this important industry at Lithgow, as the Government was distinctly a gainer on account of the freight paid to the railways both in respect of products from the industry and material conveyed to Lithgow. The Government would be the loser if the works were shut down. It was urged that it would be in the interests of the whole community if the Government could see its way to do something that would lead to the establishment of the iron industry in New South Wales on a profitable basis. The Lithgow works had been taken to that stage where absolute success was assured, and the only difficulty was the necessity of more steel furnaces to increase the output. These matters had been considered by the Government as being of some moment to the State, and the Government had appointed a committee to make an inquiry into the circumstances, and to report to the Cabinet from the financial, commercial, and engineering points of view. That report had only just been received, and it would be dealt with without delay, and the views of the Government made known as *speedily as possible*. Whatever the decision of the Cabinet was, it would be submitted to the House for ratification.

"FOOL-PROOF" MOTOR.

A SYDNEY INVENTION.

A new steam rotary motor has just been *invented by Mr. Herbert Lee, of Kensington*. It consists of three parts only, the roter, the vane, and shaft, with the cylinder. In the new machine there is a total absence of valves, piston, piston-rods, and all other parts as used in reciprocating and ordinary engines. The machine may be driven not only by steam, but any other expanding or explosive agents. The engine itself is practically frictionless, inasmuch as it will work with ½lb of steam at 100 revolutions, as against 12lb of steam used in the ordinary type of reciprocating engine. The motor, moreover, can develop speed up to 1000 revolutions a minute instantly, will reverse instantly, and can be stopped instantly. It will run with or without a fly-wheel, and can be started from any point, as there is no dead centre. Owing to the paucity of working parts, there is practically nothing to go wrong. Indeed, it is stated that the cost of repairs cannot possibly exceed 5s per annum per horse-power.

It is claimed that the invention, being adaptable for any kind of motive power—locomotive or marine—has a great future before it. The space occupied by the engine is only about 1-20th of that of any other type of steam engine. The motor, moreover, is practically fool-proof. So perfect, indeed, is it in the eyes of Sydney leading engineers, that it is claimed to be superior to any existing turbine, inasmuch as it can run at any speed.

THE Y.M.C.A.

A FEAST OF LECTURES.

BOXING IN CAMERA.

The Y.M.C.A. series of meetings was yesterday concluded. At 5 p.m. the national secretary for Australia, Mr. Lyman S. Pierce, delivered an address entitled "An Intimate Study of the Physical Work of the Y.M.C.A."

The lecturer, who is plainly a believer in the strenuous variety of Christianity, grew quite enthusiastic on the subject of modern gymnasium work as practised in America. Gymnasiums no longer aimed at the knotted muscle type of athlete, but at a beautiful body. Knotted muscles were ugly, and science had declared against them.

In regard to boxing, while it was a dangerous pastime if indulged in in public, where the temptation was always to give the other fellow a solar plexus blow, no objection could be taken to it if it were practised in a small secluded room before a select audience of two or three. Under these conditions it was a sport which might be included in any Y.M.C.A. curriculum. (Applause.)

In reply to a question, Mr. Pierce said that the physical instructor of a Y.M.C.A. need not necessarily be an expert in physical exercises, but he must be a Christian.

Later, at 6.45, Mr. Pierce addressed another meeting on the social work of the institution, adding some well-chosen words on "The Y.M.C.A. and the Boy Problem."

And at 8 o'clock, his enthusiasm undimmed, he spoke optimistically for an hour or so on "The Future of the Y.M.C.A. in Australasia." One got an impression, as he warmed to his subject, of Australia in time becoming one vast Y.M.C.A.

Mr. Pierce carries his energy and enthusiasm to Brisbane to-day. And if the Brisbane branch wants moving he would seem to be the man to move it.

TRADE WITH THE EAST.

SHIPPING SERVICE TO SHANGHAI.

Mr. Levien, the Victorian commercial agent at Shanghai, complains, says the Melbourne "Age," that trade is hampered owing to goods *having to be transhipped* at Hongkong. He states that about 2500 tons of freight per month is arranged for under most unsatisfactory conditions. One firm has a contract for the supply of 15,000 tons of Wollongong coal per annum, to be supplied in monthly deliveries. A steamer has to be chartered to take 5000 tons at a time, which has to be stored until the monthly deliveries are given. This means a loss on the value of the undelivered coal, and the cost of storage at Shanghai. The same firm recently imported 2000 tons of wheat. Another firm requires 1000 tons of freight per month for the carriage of railway sleepers. A firm which has the largest sale of Australian butter requires cold storage accommodation, with the aid of which the manager estimates there would be a consumption at Shanghai and the outports of from 700 to 1000 boxes per month.

All the firms interested, Mr. Levien states, will ask their Australian representatives to use a line of direct steamers exclusively if one is established. In the opinion of Shanghai merchants there is sufficient tonnage required to fill a monthly steamer of about 2500 tons.

CALOOLA PAINT MINE SYNDICATE.

About 18 miles from Orange, and in the vicinity of the Caloola marble quarries, is situated the Caloola Paint Mine Syndicate, which is opening up an outcropping manganese lode, beneath which is a red oxide of iron formation 2ft 6in in width, in the form of fairly fine powder. The surface formation is said to carry about 75 per cent. of manganese, 2dwt of gold, and 4oz to 5oz of silver, whilst the red oxide shows traces only of gold and silver. The powdery deposit is in two distinct seams of colouration, one purple and the other brown. Portion of the deposit is intermixed with small lenticular veins of unoxidised red hematite, and is said, when ground up, to be richest in colouration.

Some eight tons of the red oxide have been sold for experimental purposes to the Standard Paint Company, of Sydney, at the rate of £5 per ton, but it is expected that better prices will be obtained. The syndicate is in treaty with a firm to supply a shipment of manganese for Germany. Negotiations are also pending for the supply of 1000 tons to a Sydney merchant. It is said that in addition to gold and silver in the manganese assays show copper, whilst the red oxide is useful for the manufacture of umber paint, as well as pigments, and metallic, wood, and iron preservatives.

VISITING RIFLEMEN'S COMPLAINTS

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Senator Keating, Minister for Home Affairs, in the Senate to-day said the New South Wales commandant had telegraphed to the Defence Department that the statement about visiting riflemen being charged for their tents was not correct. Senator Walker had a letter on the subject, a copy of which was being sent to the commandant, as there was a conflict between it and the telegram.

THE NEW DUTIES.

LAST NIGHT'S DECISIONS.

The House of Representatives last night agreed to the undermentioned items in the tariff, as follows:—

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Dates, 1d per lb.

Raisins and others, including desiccated banana flour and peel, candied, drained, or dried, 3d per lb.

Ginger, preserved (not in liquid), fruits, and vegetables, including ginger (preserved in liquid, or partly preserved, or pulped), 3d per lb.

Half-pints and smaller sizes, 9d per dozen.

Pints and over half-pints, 1s 6d per dozen.

Quarts and over pints, 3s per dozen.

Exceeding a quart, 1s per gallon.

When preserved in spirituous liquid addition duty at 14s per gallon be paid on the liquid.

Fruits, n.e.i., including fresh lychee nuts, 2s per cental.

Fruits, citrus, ½d per lb.

Ginger, green, 1d per lb.

Peel, preserved in liquid, including the weight of the liquid, 1d per lb.

Bananas, 1s per cental.

Vegetables, n.e.i., 2s per cental.

Vegetables, dried, drysalted, concentrated, compressed, or powdered, herbs dried, not medical, 20 per cent. ad valorem.

Onions in their natural state, 1s per cwt.

Potatoes in their natural state, 1s per cwt.

Potato flour, struck out.

GRAIN AND PULSE.

Barley, 2s per cental; n.e.i., 1s 6d per cental.

Bran, pollard, and sharps, 1s per cental.

Wheaten flour 2s 6d per cental.

Cornflour, 2d per lb.

N.e.i., including phosphorised wheat, ½d per lb.

Animal foods, n.e.i., 2s per cental.

THE SHOOTING SENSATION.

FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

A WELL-KNOWN CRIMINAL.

The man who fired at Sergeant Bennett proved, as the result of investigations by the detective force, to be a well-known Victorian criminal. His real name is believed to be Arthur Barton, but he has also gone under the names of Michael M'Neil and Charles Williams. He is a familiar figure in the police records and photograph albums.

An interesting point in the process of identification, and one which made official suspicion a certainty, was the discovery of a mark on the prisoner's thumb. This led him to admit that the police were on the right track.

The story of his criminal career and the list of his convictions are long. He has served more than one long sentence for housebreaking and forgery, as well as several shorter terms. About nine years ago in Sydney he resisted arrest in a chemist's shop at Newtown by attempting to shoot Senior-constable Devlin. He was overpowered after an exciting struggle. On that occasion he was wanted by the police for housebreaking and forgery, and when tried subsequently received a long sentence. He recently left Pentridge Gaol in Victoria on the completion of a sentence of two years. He had in his possession on Tuesday afternoon when Sergeant Bennett met him a portmanteau, containing a pair of opera glasses and a hairbrush. In his pockets were a number of skeleton keys, and another was picked up in the lane where the affair occurred. The articles in the portmanteau, together with the locket and chain, were identified to-day as having been stolen from the residence of Mr. William Jamieson, in Reserve-street, Annandale, on Tuesday morning. The revolver he used was an old-fashioned pattern, with pinfire action, and was found to have been stolen from a house at Randwick three weeks ago.

During the day he described himself as an engineer, and disclosed to the police that he lived at Darlinghurst, and Constables Souter, Surridge, and Hollis visited the place, and made an interesting discovery. Three watches, a purse, a cigar-case, and a gold fob were found, as well as a crucible, a handsaw, and two bottles of hairdye. Investigations also showed that Barton had used valueless cheques at Messrs. C. T. Newton and Co.'s, Newtown, H. B. Linthorpe's, and C. Kaltenbach's, Marrickville; and J. D. Pickett, of Dulwich Hill.

Sergeant Bennett yesterday suffered considerable pain as the result of the wound in his hand, from which the bullet was extracted at Sydney Hospital.

A CHARGE OF ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Yesterday, at the Central Police Court, Cecil Forbes, 39, dentist, was charged with wounding Sergeant Bennett, with intent to murder. Forbes was remanded for a week, bail being refused.

NEWCASTLE.

TO LOAD COAL.

NEWCASTLE, Tuesday.

The barque Largiemore, commanded by Captain Spenser, arrived at Newcastle from Iquique to-day, this being her fourth consecutive visit to the port. The voyage across the Pacific was uneventful, fine weather being experienced, and the passage was made in the quick time of 50 days. The Largiemore will load a cargo of Stanford Merthyr coal for San Francisco.

The American barque Isaac Reed, in charge of Captain Anderson, arrived in port to-day, after a voyage of 53 days from San Francisco. A few days before arriving off the Australian coast, the American four-masted barquentine James Johnson, bound from Eureka to Sydney, was spoken. The Isaac Reed loads East Greta coal for San Francisco.

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

Wednesday.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Killarney, s, for Chanaral, with 2065 tons coal; Aldenham, s, for Hongkong, via Sydney and ports, with 1100 tons bunker coal and 3822 sleepers; Maheno, s, for Wellington, via Sydney, with 2000 tons bunker coal and 837 ingots copper; Perth, s, for Melbourne, with 2300 tons coal; Kolya, s, with 2525 tons coal; Salamis, s, for London, via Sydney and ports, with 1402 bales wool, 1239 ingots copper, 321 pigs copper, 50 casks tallow, 9096 cases mutton, 5251 carcases lamb, and 55 boxes kidneys.

SHOWERS INLAND.

GENERAL RAINS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Thunderstorms again occurred in many parts of N.S.W. yesterday, and there were good falls of rain at some places. Among the highest records at 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning were:—Bundarra 142 points, Gulgong 132, Bungendore 94, Braidwood 67, Muswellbrook 50, Cassilis 43. At Silverton rain was falling steadily at 9 a.m., and it was raining at Bourke at that hour. At 3 p.m. it was raining at Balranald, Broken Hill, Bourke, Euston, Moulamein, Wanaaring, Wentworth, and Wilcannia. At 6 o'clock rain was falling at Bourke, Brewarrina, Bathurst, Deniliquin, Kiandra, Wagga, and Wollongong.

The highest temperatures on Tuesday were: —Menindie 103, Euston 100. The report issued from the Observatory yesterday stated that the winds had become much stronger, which was unfavourable to useful rain. The maximum temperature at Sydney yesterday was 75.2, and a strong north-easter prevailed.

Useful rains have fallen throughout South Australia.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Last night general useful rain fell over the State. In all 116 stations recorded over 40 points. The rain was most welcome, and it is expected that the crops will considerably benefit as a result of the downpour.

BLAYNEY.—Rain was threatening all day on Wednesday. Storms were all round, but only light showers were experienced.

BROKEN HILL.—Light rain fell all Wednesday morning, lasting till about 10 o'clock. In all 13 points were registered. The fall did no good to the reservoir.

BUNGENDORE.—Ninety-four points of rain were recorded on Wednesday morning, the result of a heavy storm on Tuesday.

COOLAMON.—Splendid rains fell throughout the district on Wednesday evening. About half an inch was the average. It was heavier in places.

GULGONG.—On Tuesday afternoon a thunderstorm occurred, and 108 points of rain fell in two hours. Showers followed until 8 o'clock, 132 points being recorded. The rain filled the dams, and will freshen the crops.

GOULBURN.—Good rains fell in some parts of the district on Tuesday. The Wollondilly River rose 14½ inches at the waterworks. Water is running over the weir wall.

HENTY.—Half an inch of rain was recorded on Wednesday.

LITHGOW.—48 points of rain were registered on Wednesday morning. There was more thunder and rain in the evening.

MOLONG.—Several thunderstorm showers fell on Wednesday afternoon. It was still raining at 8 p.m. Indications point to a good fall.

MOSS VALE.—A thunderstorm passed over this afternoon, but very little rain fell.

MUNDOORAN.—A thunderstorm on Tuesday afternoon was responsible for 65 points of rain, which, though rather late, should help the crop, grass, and water supplies.

PICTON.—A thunderstorm passed over on Wednesday evening.

STATE BUDGET.

IMMENSE PROSPERITY.

£1,471,344 SURPLUS.

REVENUE, £14,529,437.

TREASURER'S CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATES.

The State Treasurer, Mr. Waddell, delivered his Budget speech in the Legislative Assembly last night. The House having resolved into Committee of Supply, a vote of £855 was granted for the service of the Executive Council for the current year. The resolution was reported and agreed to, and the House resolved into Committee of Ways and Means.

THE SPEECH.

The TREASURER, who was received with cheers, submitted the usual motion. He said: In the first place, the Government, in arranging the finances for the year, has had in some respects a comparatively easy task. During the last three years there has been a rising tide of prosperity. The people have been prosperous, prices for all our products have been high, and production has been large. These influences, together with wise and careful management of the public funds, have made our position one of unexampled strength.

RESCISSION OF TAXATION.

We, therefore, feel that the time has come when the Government should further reduce the financial burdens of the people, and do something to help producers and others to make good the losses suffered during the years of drought. There are other reasons for reducing taxation.

Mr. M'GOWEN: You ought to wait for a more prosperous season.

The TREASURER: I will come to that directly. When we consider the very bad seasons the producers of the country passed through during the great drought, before the past three good seasons came along, and the serious losses which they sustained, I think the Government ought to do something to lighten the burdens which press upon them. We feel also that there are other reasons why we should reduce taxation. One very solid reason is the fact that the Federal Government is imposing much heavier taxation upon our people.

Mr. MAHONY: Taxing us to death.

The TREASURER: We feel, in view of this, that it becomes all the more necessary for the State Government to reduce the burden of taxation on the people. There is also another matter which we think should weigh strongly with us, and it is this: There are two periods in the life of a country when the Government wants to act with great care and judgment in the administration of its finances. One is when the country is passing through periods of great depression, and its revenue is shrinking. The other is when the country is passing through a time of great prosperity, and has its treasury overflowing. I would like to point out to members that if we did not at this juncture decrease taxation the tendency would be for the people of the country to expect the Government to give large sums of money towards the services of the country. If we continued to allow taxation, and did not take taxation off, then, when the evil day came—when we found our revenue shrinking, and insufficient to provide for the services of the country—we should suddenly wake up to the fact that we had exhausted the field of taxation, and had nothing to fall back upon. (Hear, hear.) If we take off taxation, some of it of a very irritating character, when times are good, then, when times change, and we have reason to submit fresh taxation, we shall be able to fall back upon some of them again. We have reduced some of the burdens; for instance, we have reduced the railway charges and other things; and we feel also that we ought to do more.

PENSIONS FOR INFIRM.

Now that the State can afford it, the Government is also determined to give substantial help to a section of the suffering poor and needy, who have never yet had much done for them. I allude to unfortunate fellow-beings who, through sickness or accident, have been rendered incapable of earning a livelihood, and who now, in many cases, remain a burden on their poor relatives. To provide a scheme of pensions for such people we estimate that it will cost about £40,000 per annum. I purpose shortly introducing the bill to give effect to our determination, and I will make it take effect from January 1, when those to be provided for can make their applications. Provision for the money required will be made, and all the necessary safeguards to protect the public interest against unjustifiable claims will be taken in the bill to be introduced.

THE FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

While our financial position at present is so good, the situation is not without anxiety. The season has been exceptionally dry, and the wheat crop will consequently be far from what was expected. Stock also have suffered, and will continue to suffer while the dry weather lasts. The Government is fully alive to the whole situation, and in framing the Estimates we have kept constantly in view the influences that may affect our revenue and expenditure. I have no doubt, however, that our estimates will be realised. When, later on, I am forecasting the revenue and expenditure for the present year, it will be seen that I expect to have a substantial surplus to meet any contingency that may arise.

THE STATE'S ACCOUNTS.

I now come to the question of dealing with our accounts. I will first take the consolidated revenue account for last year, our principal account. On one side is shown all the revenue we received, on the other all the current expenditure during the year. It will be seen that we lived well within our means, and had a substantial surplus to carry forward. The principal feature of this account is the enormous increase of revenue which we had, totalling the great sum of £1,109,000 over the amount received during the year immediately preceding. The Commonwealth revenue returned to the State increased by £279,000, land revenue by £150,000, stamps £53,000, income tax £17,000, and land tax £15,000. From business undertakings we had the enormous increase of £544,000, from railways and tramways and from the Harbour Trust and Water and Sewerage Boards £34,000. The Shires Council Act came int oforce on January 1 last, and during the half-year to June 30 assistance to the Shire Councils was given to the extent of £90,000 from revenue. The year opened with a credit balance of £596,124. The net revenue and receipts collected during the year were as follows:—From Governmental, £6,958,959; from business undertakings, £6,433,476; advances recovered, £14,108, making a total of £13,406,543. This added to the balance brought forward made available for expenditure £14,302,667. The expenditure during the same period was £11,913,272. Payments to public works and closer settlement funds amounted to £918,051, making a total of £12,831,323, resulting in a credit balance of surplus at the close of the year of £1,471,344. This balance of £1,471,344 was liable to the following charges, which have since been paid over, viz.:—Two-thirds net proceeds of sale of land in 1906-7, less 20 per cent., £408,408; the second instalment of Reduction Deficiency Bills, £50,000; which left a net surplus to carry forward to the current year of £1,012,936.

THE PUBLIC WORKS FUND.

I now come to the operations of the Public Works Fund of last year. The main object in establishing this fund was to ensure the greater portion of the revenue from the sale of Crown lands being used for unproductive works of a permanent character, hitherto paid for with loan money. The account was opened under the authority of the Public Works and Closer Settlement Funds Act, passed on September 10 last year. Until the passage of this Act the whole of the proceeds from the sale of Crown lands were treated as ordinary revenue, and used for current expenditure; and for many years complaints were from time to time made that we were using the proceeds of the sales of a permanent asset for works and services of an ephemeral character. But the exigencies of the period made it necessary. My predecessor as Treasurer (Mr. Carruthers), wisely determined that now that the revenue would afford it, a change should be made in the direction indicated. This will tend to further establish our credit in Great Britain. The receipts of this fund to June 30 last were:—Two-thirds net proceeds of sale of Crown lands in 1905-6, less 20 per cent. for cost of administration and charges, £368,051; transfer from Public Schools Property Fund, £714; proceeds of sale of land under Public Instruction Act, 1880, £1456; and grant from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £350,000, making a total of £720,221. Against this the following expenditure amounted to £427,597, leaving a credit balance at the close of the year of £292,624. Details of the expenditure will be found in the Public Accounts.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT FUND.

The Closer Settlement Fund was established under the same Act as the Public Works Fund. This fund will be sustained from time to time by money borrowed for the purpose under Parliamentary authority; by grants from Consolidated Revenue Fund, by receipts formerly paid to the Assurance

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Fund of the Real Property Act, and, finally, by the net receipts from sales and rents of land acquired for closer settlement purposes.

Mr. MAHONY: Can't you spare some of that money for the Registrar-General's Department?

The TREASURER: We are determined to pursue a vigorous policy of closer settlement. It is therefore much more businesslike to have a special account, into which all moneys provided for the purpose will be paid, and out of which money will be drawn to pay for estates as we resume them. Dealing with the account for last year, the receipts to June 30 were:—Balance from Assurance Fund under Real Property Act, £264,506; from Closer Settlement Fund, £19,984; and grant from Consolidated Revenue Fund, £200,000, making a total of £484,490; while the expenditure was:—Under Real Property Act, £47; purchase of Gobbagombalin, £209,175; purchase of Marrar Estate, £69,556; cost of subdivision, £2410; and interest on loan, £5244. Total expenditure, £286,234. This left a balance on June 30 of £198,256.

THE LOAN ACCOUNT.

I come to the loan account for last year, ended June 30. I am glad to say that the loan expenditure was the lowest for 10 years. The late Treasurer rightly, in view of the loans maturing, kept a tight grip on this class of expenditure, and the fact that he had the Public Works fund (replenished from revenue) to fall back upon, to pay for non-reproductive works of a permanent character helped him very much. On reproductive works, £1,020,384—most of the money—was spent; on works indirectly reproductive, £125,002; and unproductive works, £87,786—making a total of £1,233,172. As a set-off against this sum, repayments to credit of loan votes, on account of issues of previous years, were received to the extent of £174,619, and credited to loan account, which closed with a credit balance of £557,025.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

Regarding the public debt proper, as represented by outstanding stock, debentures, and bills, I have a very satisfactory statement to make. On June 30, 1906, the debt stood at £85,441,733. During the year we sold stock to the amount of £2,826,362, but redeemed stock to the value of £2,260,284, thereby reducing the public debt proper by £33,932, and leaving it standing on June 30 last at £85,607,831. Were I to stop here I would not do the credit of the State full justice. I will therefore take the value of the outstanding stock, debentures, and bills, less cash in hand at the commencement of last year, and the value of our stock, debentures, and bills, less cash in hand at the close of the year, June 30 last, and it will be seen that during the year we improved our position to the extent of £722,868. On June 30, 1906, after allowing for cash in hand, we owed £83,306,104, and on June 30, 1907, after allowing for cash in hand, we owed £82,583,236; or, as I said, £722,868 less. This shows the marvellous recuperative powers of the State, and that, with fair seasons and wise administration, the question of what we owe should cause us no concern.

LOCAL BORROWING.

Another very pleasing feature in connection with our debt is that by borrowing locally money to pay off stock maturing in London, we are changing the locale of our debt to our own State, where the interest will be paid and spent. (Hear, hear.) It is natural that members would not only like to know from time to time the total amount we owe, but also what we have got to show for it. It may be said that millions have been spent on works not reproductive and interest paying. This is true; but without taking into account the value of these works, if we capitalise the value of our railways, tramways, Water and Sewerage Board works, Harbour Trust works, and resumptions on a 3½ per cent. basis on their net returns, we find that these properties are worth £86,507,000; and if we add to this cash in hand on June 30, £5,287,133, we had at that date living, growing assets worth £91,794,133, as against £85,607,831 owing on the same date.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: It cannot be true, then, that the Government of which you were a member was ruining the country. (Laughter.)

The TREASURER: When we contemplate the marvellous growth of revenue from these assets, with a corresponding increase of value, a moment's reflection will show that they would be good buying on a capitalised value based on 3½ per cent. of their net returns. The railways and tramways alone gave the gigantic increase last year of £544,000 more revenue than the year before.

REMISSION OF TAXATION.

I now pass to the matter of making our financial arrangements for the present year. I will take the Consolidated Revenue Account first. Already enormous concessions have been made to all classes using our railways by the reduction of fares and rates to the extent of what would represent £312,000 per annum based on the volume of traffic at the commencement of the year. Then, £80,000 for school fees have been remitted. We now propose to go further, and, by making an exemption of £1000 on incomes earned by individual effort, we shall relieve a large number of our people from taxation aggregating £83,000 per annum. My friends opposite should keep in view what the Federal Government is doing in offering any criticisms here. The man who earns £1000 a year has to pay probably 10 times as much through the Customs as the man earning £100. The storekeepers in the country deserve consideration, especially as many of them had to accommodate their customers during the recent drought. Now that we can afford it we feel that we should make a total exemption up to the sum named, thus freeing 21,000 of our industrious, hardworking people and their families of this burden. We also propose shortly to introduce a bill to make it unnecessary to stamp receipts, cheques, promissory notes, or bills of exchange. This change will take effect from January 1, and by it we estimate we shall lose for the half-year for stamps on receipts £25,000, for stamps on cheques £25,000, and for stamps on promissory notes and bills of exchange £15,000. As well as these charges £10,000 per annum hitherto collected for tolls on ferries and dog tax will pass away to the shire councils. It will thus be seen that we shall be remitting revenue this year to the aggregate amount of £550,000, and next year to a larger amount, as the remissions will in each case take effect from the commencement of the year.

Mr. MAHONY: Can't you abolish the income tax altogether.

The TREASURER: Well, we don't propose to do that. Now, as to expenditure. A sum of £195,000 will be provided for the year's subsidy to the shire councils for local government purposes. In addition, there will be a sum of £50,000 provided from the public works account for special grants to municipalities and shire councils.

EDUCATION.

In the matter of education, the Government feels that the time has come to increase most of the teachers' salaries. (Cheers.) During last year, the then Premier promised to set apart a sum of £60,000 for the purpose. The Government has had a scheme prepared involving the sum of £59,346. Of this £53,555 will be devoted to increasing salaries of teachers now receiving less than £205, and of the lastnamed amount £36,021 will be devoted to increasing salaries of teachers getting less than £151. The amount allotted to teachers now receiving more than £204 will be £5791. The total number of teachers in the service is 5366; of that number 4287 will receive increases. Of those who receive no increases, 652 are pupil teachers and 169 are ex-pupil teachers who have not yet become classified. But in these cases the prospects of increased salaries are much improved, and it will only be their failure to gain a certificate within three years after completing their pupil teacher course that will prevent them obtaining the advantages open to them. Two-thirds of the remaining teachers who receive no increases are already in receipt of more than £150 a year, and most of these are already in receipt of the highest salary attached to their grade and position under the new scale. Next, it will be seen that we have placed £40,000 on the Estimates to repair schools and teachers' residences, and provide means in certain cases to take children to school. We shall also provide on the public works fund estimates the sum of £80,000 to build new schools and teachers' residences.

VARIOUS ITEMS.

The sum of £32,000 will be provided for maintaining parks and buying sites. For the prospecting vote £15,000 will be provided. For subsidies and special grants to agricultural societies £18,000, and for subsidies to hospitals and benevolent institutions £81,000; in cases where an equal amount will be raised by private subscription. In addition to this amount from revenue, the sum of £42,000 will be provided on the public works fund estimates for special grants and subsidies to hospitals.

THE COMING SURPLUS.

I now come to the main figures of the estimate of revenue and expenditure for this year. At the close of last year we had a credit balance of £1,471,344, but the following deductions had to be made from that, viz., the compulsory contribution to the public works fund of eight-fifteenths of the proceeds of the sales of Crown lands received during last year, being £408,409, and second instalment of £50,000 to the sinking fund, in redemption of deficiency bills. These deductions leave the net credit balance to commence this year with standing at £1,012,935. Now we expect to receive during the year, after allowing for the proposed remission of taxation and revenue, to the extent of £550,000, the sum of £12,765,945, with advances to be recovered £34,000, making a total of £12,799,945. Then we expect to expend £11,949,049. It will therefore be seen that on the year's operations there will be an excess of revenue over expenditure of £850,896, which, added to the net credit balance carried forward from last year, makes an aggregated surplus of £1,863,831, which will be liable to the following statutory charges to be paid over after the close of the year, viz., estimated eight-fifteenths of the proceeds of the sale of Crown lands during the year £347,467, and third instalment to sinking fund in reduction of Revenue Deficiency Bills, £50,000; total, £397,467. This deducted from the aggregated surplus of £1,863,831 leaves a net estimated surplus on the year of £1,466,364. From this I propose to give a special grant to the public works funds of £650,000, and to the closer settlement fund £200,000. This will leave an estimated credit balance of £616,364 to meet any contingency that may arise, owing to loss of revenue or necessity of expenditure in connection with the drought.

A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE.

Our estimates have been framed on the most conservative basis, because we have kept in view the fact that our revenue may be seriously affected by drought. Included in the estimates of expenditure was the sum of £20,000 for invalid pensions for the half-year from January 1 to June 30. It will be observed that I expect a decrease on the revenue of £626,490, as compared with last year.

THE PUBLIC WORKS FUND.

Next comes the public works fund estimates. The cash at credit of the fund on June 30 last was £292,624. The receipts for the year are estimated as follows:—Eight-fifteenths of the proceeds from the sale of Crown lands, £408,408; proposed grant from consolidated revenue, £650,000; repayments to credit of votes, £20,000; and proceeds of sale of land under Public Instruction Act, £2000; makes a total of £1,080,408, which, added to £292,624 credit balance at commencement of the year, makes a grand total of £1,373,032 available for expenditure. The expenditure for the year is estimated as follows:—For balance of appropriation of last year unexpended but to be expended this year, £635,034; requirements this year for public buildings and other works of a permanent character, £776,778; making a total of £1,411,812, less estimated savings £40,000; leaving a total estimated expenditure of £1,371,812, which, deducted from £1,373,032 available for expenditure, will leave an estimated credited balance at the end of the year of £1220.

A VIGOROUS CLOSER SETTLEMENT POLICY.

Next comes the estimates for the closer settlement fund. The credit balance on June 30 last was £198,250. To this must be added the estimated receipts for the year of—from closer settlement Myall Creek £7766, from Gobbagumbalin £3000, from Marrar £600, fees under the Real Property Act £14,000, and proposed grant from consolidated revenue fund of £200,000; making total receipts for the year of £423,622 available for closer settlement. Against this amount the following expenditure is expected:—Interest to be paid on cost of land purchased £5244, and vote to buy land for closer settlement £400,000. These two amounts deducted from the credit balance will leave an estimated credit at the end of this year to the fund of £18,378. While provision is made in this manner it will not interfere with the Government borrowing as much as it thinks wise for the purchase of other holdings. (Hear, hear.) We are determined to provide as much as possible from the revenue, but we will also go into the market whenever we think necessary to enable us to carry out a vigorous policy of buying up these big estates and settling people on the country. (Hear, hear.)

LOAN EXPENDITURE.

The Government is determined to only ask for leave to expend loan money on what will be reproductive works, and most of them highly reproductive, such as railways to open up rich agricultural and pastoral districts, or rolling stock for such lines. The Railway Commissioners are asking for £740,000 to cover the cost of additional rolling stock. They have not enough trucks to carry the live stock, and not enough engines to do the haulage. About £375,000 is required for locomotives, £141,000 for carriages, and £224,000 for waggons. We are charging to the public works fund many permanent works which are not directly reproductive. The Public Works fund is constituted by payments from revenue, so that we are practically paying for this class of permanent works from revenue. I have heard it argued that because a building such as a courthouse or school does not give a direct return to pay the interest, we are not justified in spending loan money on such a work. This doctrine I entirely dissent from. If by erecting a building the Government save £500 a year in rent, then that building has to all intents and purposes earned that amount, and is in reality as reproductive as the mile of tramway that produces £500. The laws of sound finance in no way bind the Government to pay for such works out of revenue (except it is in the case of that from the sale of Crown land), but the Government, when it can afford to do so, as at the present time, is acting wisely to do it, and thereby keep down our public debt. The Government intends to limit loan expenditure during the year to about £2,200,000. Among the works to be proceeded with and provided for are the Narrabri to Walgett, Manilla to Barraba, North Coast, Temora to Barellan, Bogan Gate to Bulbodney, Mudgee to Dunedoo, and Belmore to Chapel-road railways. Owing to the enormous expansion of the railway traffic, and the construction of new lines, the Commissioners will require £740,000 for the construction of rolling stock, principally engines. New rolling stock is paid for out of loan money, but all matters of repairs and renewals out of revenue.

EARNINGS AND ASSETS.

Our railways and tramways gave a net return of £4 19s 4d per cent. on the capital invested, i.e., almost 5 per cent.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: What becomes of the charges of extravagance now?

The TREASURER: I am delighted, as I know the hon. member is, to find all these lines paying. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: I am delighted to see all those lies exploded.

The TREASURER: The Sydney Harbour Trust gave the handsome return of £4 6s 2d per cent. on capital invested. The Trust controls the great harbour resumptions made a few years ago, and other properties adjacent. The Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage gave the satisfactory return of £4 3s 8d per cent. The Hunter District Water and Sewerage Board tops the list with the splendid net return of £5 14s 1d per centum on the cost of its work. What is called the Observatory Hill resumptions cost £1,197,415, and is the only one of the five great groups of reproducing State assets that has not earned its interest, the net return being only £2 9s 4d per cent. This is easily accounted for, as the whole area is in a state of reconstruction, but as soon as the premeditated changes are carried out this asset will pay handsomely. (Hear, hear.) The portion of the State debt not represented in these assets is comparatively small, and is represented for the most part by permanent useful works, the construction of which is annually saving the Government a very large expenditure.

STATE DEBT AND SINKING FUND.

This fund came into existence on July 1, 1905. The object was to have a special fund under independent control into which large payments from revenue will be annually made, and also interest on investments by the Commission. The Commissioners will have power to invest such money, and from time to time apply it in redeeming stock, or buying up Government stock at advantageous prices on the open market. The cash in hand on June 30, 1907, was £482,737. During this year the following payments have been made, or will be made:—£50,000 has been paid in of surplus revenue towards redeeming the last issue of Revenue Deficiency Bills; interest on Funded Stock investments or deposits in banks or with the Government will be paid to the extent of about £7000. Then the contribution from consolidated revenue for the year will be £250,000; other receipts, say, £6000, making a total to apply in the reduction of our State debts of £895,737. This amount has been applied for the following purposes:—To redeem Treasury Deficiency Bills, £50,000 on July 1, 1907, £197,116 on September 30, 1907, and on January 31 next £100,000. More of these bills will be redeemed. Also on August 10 last £350,000 worth of matured Funded Stock was redeemed, making a total redemption for the year of £697,116, and leaving an estimated balance in the hands of the Commissioners of £198,621. The Commissioners are the Chief Justice, the Treasurer, the Speaker, and the Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade.

TRANSFERRED PROPRTIES.

The Federal Constitution provided that properties hitherto owned by the State in which services now transferred to the Commonwealth are conducted should be taken over by the Federal Government, and that Government should pay the State for them. So far as I can estimate, the value of these properties will be about £4,000,000. At the present time, by mutual arrangement, an officer of the Federal Government and two State officers are engaged in valuing these properties. I am hopeful that before long we shall receive payment for them.

Mr. NORTON: And interest.

The TREASURER: It must be recognised that the Federal Government has been paying us a larger amount of the customs and excise duties than it was bound to. If it had paid for these properties before, it would have deducted the interest on its capital value from the sums to be returned to us, and we would have got less.

FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCE.

There is another matter that vitally affects our whole financial position. Under the 87th clause of the Federal Constitution the Federal Government is bound until the end of the year 1910 to return to each State Government three-fourths of the net revenue derived from customs and excise duties. Experience has shown the Governments of the States of the Commonwealth the supreme importance of making this provision permanent, and repeated conferences between representatives of the State Governments and representatives of the Federal Government have taken place during the last few years with a view to arriving at a common understanding, and giving legislative effect to it. Some months ago at Brisbane the then Federal Treasurer (Sir John Forrest) met the representatives of the States, and the following provisional agreement was made, viz., that after the end of 1910 each State should get a fixed sum annually, equal to the average annual amount received up to that date, and that all over that amount received by the Federal Government should, up to three-fourths of the net revenue received from customs and excise, be paid to the States on a per capita basis. It was also agreed that the Federal Government might impose special duties on articles not now dutiable and might also increase duties on articles now dutiable for any specific purpose they might desire. If these proposals are embodied in the Constitution it will effect a very satisfactory settlement of this most important matter. But if the question (after 1910) is left open to the Federal Government to do what it wishes, and no permanent agreement is arrived at which will ensure the States getting three-fourths of this revenue back, then a very serious position will arise. All will be uncertainty, and should the Federal Government considerably reduce the proportion of this revenue hitherto paid us, we shall have great difficulty in providing for all our State services, and it will compel us to adopt direct taxation of a most oppressive character.

EQUITY OF CUSTOMS TAXATION.

We know further that our greatest source of revenue is customs and excise. The Customs tax carries out as closely as possible the maxim laid down by Adam Smith, that a man should pay to the taxation of the country according to his means. It is a fair thing that he should pay according to the revenue he gets from the country. From this tax the Government has received over £3,000,000, and if we had to forego getting any money from this source (of course we have always had a large revenue from it even under freetrade), and if the Federal Government were not to change the Constitution after 1910, and if we were deprived of this surplus revenue from customs and excise, it would be impossible to carry on the government of the country except by imposing ruinous direct taxation. Therefore, the representatives of every State Government are desirous of insisting that the Federal Government shall alter the Constitution so as to ensure getting at least three-fourths of the customs and excise duties.

CONCLUSION.

I am glad to say that the indications are more promising for the needed rain. If such does happen, then, notwithstanding the losses which the people have already suffered, we shall go on in a stream of prosperity. There is this about our present prosperity, that unlike the prosperity in the past, it is not dependent upon borrowed money. It has been caused by money received for the products of the country, consequently it is of the soundest possible character. (Cheers.)

OPPOSITION COMMENTS.

Mr. M'GOWEN said he was pleased that the financial condition of the country was the result of the good seasons, and not of the financial administration of the Government. (Hear, hear.) Surely exempting 21,000 people from the present income tax payments was not a lightening of the burden on the poor. The man with a small income and a large family had to pay the bulk of the taxation, and the rich man with a small family got off with a lesser payment. Regarding the remission of railway freights and fares, the prices of first-class season tickets had been reduced, but not the prices of second-class. A reduction had been made in the price of workmen's tickets outside the six-mile radius. There had been a discrimination in regard to the freights and fares, but not in favour of the poor man. (Opposition cheers.) Was it not a fact that in the western district, round about Hartley and Lithgow, they were clamouring because there was not sufficient haulage power for coal—(hear, hear)—or for the transfer of stock from one part of the country to another? If there was half a million profit on the working of the railways, where would it have been if the administration of the department had been up to the requirements of the present day. (Hear, hear.) Any sensible administration would have made provision for the contingency that had arisen, but difficulties existed in regard to our primary industries because the Railway and Tramway Department had not made preparation to meet the demands of increased settlement which the Government took so much credit for. The Government took credit for decreasing expenditure on unproductive works, such as bridges and culverts, out of loan revenue, and stated that they intended to make a considerable reduction in that expenditure. But if the thing was wrong, not a single penny should be expended on the works he had referred to out of loan revenue. The Treasurer had evidently not capitalised the assets represented by the railways and tramways, the Water and Sewerage Board, and the Harbour Trust in a fair way, as would be found on reference to the Auditor-General's report of the shortages for 1903 and 1904. He could not see the wisdom of talking about remitting taxation, based upon an inflated estimate of revenue from the railways, when a prudent man would face the probability of shortages in years of drought. The Government no doubt based its calculations on years of plenty, and listened to the clamouring of the newspapers for a decrease of direct taxation; while Mr. Carruthers calculated that he would give up £150,000 from that source, the present Treasurer proposed to give away only £80,000.

The PREMIER: The very prudence you advocate.

Mr. M'GOWEN: He did not wish the Government to lose £80,000 of revenue, because in a couple of years or so their successors might want it. (Hear, hear.) He hoped that the poorly-paid school teachers would not be treated as were the police in regard to their increases. The ex-Premier had announced that an increase of 6d per day would be given to the police, but when the thing came to be investigated it was found that the increase would go not to the six-shilling-a-day men, but to the others. He could not understand why the seven-years condition was made.

Mr. MAHONY: It is admitted no one can understand the seven years business. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. M'GOWEN: There were parts of the Treasurer's speech which made some of the freetraders on the Government side squirm. He did not desire to make any capital out of Mr. Waddell's reference to the Braddon clause. Everyone knew that in 1910, three years hence, the States would be entirely at the mercy of the Federal Treasurer with regard to what system—if he had any system—he would return money to the State Treasury from customs and excise. The whole of his opposition to the Government during this Parliament was going to be on account of two very foolish acts it proposed to perpetrate. One was the killing of the Arbitration Court, and the other the remission of taxation. When the State was going to be at the mercy of the Federal Government, why should New South Wales seek a quarrel with the Commonwealth in the manner this Government had one in the past by trying to engender an anti-federal spirit?

The debate was adjourned till next Thursday, and progress was reported.

COMMONWEALTH OIL CORPORATION.

LITHGOW, Tuesday.

A report from Torbane states that the new machinery is being erected for crushing purposes in connection with the making of fire-bricks for the new retorts. Repairs are going ahead in connection with the old retorts, and heavy ironwork continues to arrive for the new retorts.

NATIONAL MUSIC.

"THE SONGS OF THE BEER DRINKERS."

Under the auspices of the Jewish Literary and Debating Society, a lecture was delivered on Tuesday night in the Synagogue school-room, by Rabbi Francis L. Cohen. The speaker explained how the thoughts and habits of a people were shown in their music. And it was the peasant people mostly who supplied the national music. True national music was holy. Envy, dishonesty, and uncleanness could not be expressed in music. Real music portrayed patriotism, love, and friendship. All national songs afforded an insight into the character of the people. Climate and environment affected music. The bleak cold north of Norway produced different music to the warm, genial Italy. Food and drink also had an influence. The songs of wine-drinking people were different from those of the beer-drinkers.

As the lecturer described each national musical characteristic, Mrs. and Miss Cohen illustrated the theme by songs and pianoforte items, and in conclusion Mrs. Cohen rendered in Hebrew the intonation "Yismach Mosheh." On the motion of Rev. P. Philippson, seconded by Mr. A. Shackel, vice-president, a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.

Vice-Chancellor Dale, of Liverpool University, speaking at Blackpool on the education of to-day, said that he feared that in work of the schools of to-day there was a tendency to sacrifice solidity for breadth, and that, although this generation was learning more, the knowledge was sometimes less right and less precise.

THE TARIFF.

CONSIDERATION IN PARLIAMENT.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The House of Representatives, in Committee of Ways and Means, resumed consideration of the tariff schedule this afternoon, the item under discussion being fruits and vegetables.

Dates, 2d per lb, former duty 1d. Recommendations of the Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 1d; freetrade section, 20 per cent. ad valorem. Imports last year, 4,022,669 lb; duty paid, £16,099.

Mr. FOSTER (N.S.W.) moved the excision of the duty, so as to place dates on the free list.

The amendment was negatived on division by 31 votes to 25, the minority being Messrs. Atkinson, Bowden, Carr, Catts, Foster, Fuller, Sir Philip Fysh, Glynn, Hall, Hughes, Johnson, Dr. Liddell, Page, Poynton, Reid, Spence, Thomas, Dugald Thomson, Watkins, Watson, Wynne, Webster, Wilks, Willis, and Thomas Brown.

FURTHER GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

Mr. PAGE (Q.) moved the reduction of the duty to 1d per lb.

The TREASURER said that while he recognised that not many dates were grown at present in Australia, he saw no reason why their cultivation should not be successful, and therefore the Government must stand by the duty proposed. (Opposition laughter, and Ministerial cheers.) If the committee was determined to reduce the duty, he hoped that the bounty which had been voted would give the industry some assistance. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. REID (N.S.W.) said that dates were to people of country districts what chocolate creams were to people of cities.

After further debate,

The amendment to reduce the duty by half was carried by an overwhelming majority. The Treasurer was supported by but 10 others, and the demand for a division was then withdrawn.

(c) Raisons and other; including desiccated banana, banana flour, and peel, candied, drained, or dried, 3d per lb; former duty, 3d; recommendations of the Tariff Commission, protectionist section 3d, freetrade section 20 per cent. Imports last year, 2,902,491lb; duty paid, £39,413.

(d) Ginger preserved (not in liquid), fruits and vegetables, including ginger (preserved in liquid, or partly preserved, or pulped), 3d per lb; former duty, 3d; recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 3d, freetrade section 20 per cent. Imports last year, 581,875lb; duty paid, £6779.

(e) Half-pints and smaller sizes, 9d per doz; former duty, 9d (ginger 1½d per lb); recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 9d, freetrade section 20 per cent. Imports last year, 1733doz; duty paid, £88.

(f) Pints and over half-pints, 1s 6d per doz.; former duty, 1s 6d; recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 1s 6d, freetrade section 20 per cent. Imports last year, 145,462doz; duty paid, £11,067.

(g) Quarts and over pints, 3s per doz; former duty, 3s; recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 3s, freetrade section 20 per cent. Imports last year, 12,408doz; duty paid, £2125.

(h) Exceeding a quart, 1s per gallon; former duty, 1s; recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 1s, freetrade section, 20 per cent. Imports last year, 11,395 gallons; duty paid, £292.

(i) When preserved in spirituous liquid, additional duty at 14s per gallon to be paid on the liquid.

These were passed on the voices without amendment.

Fruits, n.e.i., including fresh lychee nuts, 2s per cental; former duty 2s, recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 2s, freetrade section free. Imports last year, 16,889 centals; duty paid, £1714.

The item was agreed to without debate.

Fruits, citrus, ½d per lb; former duty, 3d, recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section ½d (summer fruits 1d), freetrade section free. Imports last year, 41,422 centals; duty paid, £4117.

After debate the item was passed without alteration.

Ginger, green, 1d per lb; former duty 2d; recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 1d, freetrade section free. Imports last year, 240,757lb; duty paid, £2009.

The item was agreed to without debate.

Peel preserved in liquid, including the weight of the liquid, 1d per lb; former duty, 1d; recommendations of the Tariff Commission, protectionist section 1d, freetrade section free. Imports last year, 659,520lb; duty paid, £3026.

Mr. BATCHELOR (S.A.) urged the Government to increase the duty to 3d per lb. The industry, he said, was well worth protecting.

The TREASURER declined to accede to the request, on the ground that it was highly undesirable, except under exceptional circumstances, to alter the Government's proposals.

The item was agreed to without amendment.

DUTIES ON BANANAS.

Bananas, 1s per cental; former duty, 1s; recommendations of Tariff Commission, protectionist section 1s, freetrade section free. Imports last year, 146,245 centals; duty paid, £7319.

Mr. JOHNSON (N.S.W.) moved as an amendment that the duty be excised and bananas admitted free. The effect of the duty of 1s per cental would be to grant a monopoly of the industry to the Chinese of Northern Queensland at the expense of consumers.

The TREASURER said that bananas were the cheapest fruit in the market, and there was nothing to prevent their cultivation by whites.

Mr. FOSTER (N.S.W.) said that the high rates charged for bananas were due to a Chinese combine which regulated the trade.

Mr. FOXTON (Q.) said he doubted the existence of a Chinese combine, for the bulk of the Queensland bananas was grown by Europeans. If a combine did exist it was probably formed by the fruiterers.

Mr. TUDOR (Vic.) said that while he would vote for the duty of 1s per cental he wanted an excise duty of an equal amount to be imposed on bananas produced by coloured labour.

The amendment was negatived on the voices and the item was agreed to without amendment.

Vegetables, n.e.i., 2s per cental; former duty, 1s. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 1s; Freetrade section, 20 per cent. Imports last year, 4483 centals; duty paid, £246.

The item was passed without debate on the voices.

Vegetables, dried, drysalted, concentrated, compressed, or powdered, 20 per cent. ad valorem; former duty, 15 per cent. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 15 per cent.; Freetrade section, 20 per cent.

Mr. DUGALD THOMSON (N.S.W.) moved as an amendment the additions of the words, "Herbs, dried, not medicinal."

The amendment was agreed to, and the item as amended was passed.

Onions in their natural state, 1s per cwt.; former duty, 1s. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 1s; Freetrade section, 20 per cent. Imports last year, 13,155cwt.; duty paid, £676.

The item was agreed to on the voices without debate.

Potatoes in their natural state, 1s per cwt.; former duty, 1s. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 1s; Freetrade section, 20 per cent. Imports last year, 5904cwt.; duty paid, £429.

Mr. PAGE (Q.) moved the excision of the duty, so as to admit of potatoes free.

The amendment was defeated on the voices and the item passed.

Potato flour, 2d per lb, former duty ½d. Recommendations of Tariff Commission. Protectionist section, ½d; fretrade section, ½d.

Mr. BOWDEN (N.S.W.) moved that the rate should be ½d.

A question arose as to the relations of potato flour and starch flour, the latter appearing later in the schedule.

The TREASURER said the Tariff Commission wished the items to be distinct, but as there was very litle difference it could be left over and the two taken together.

The amendment was negatived and the item struck out.

Grain and pulse, not prepared or manufactured.

(a) Barley, 2s per cental, former duty, 1s 6d. Recommendations of Tariff Commission; Protectionist section, 2s; freetrade section, no alteration recommended. Imports last year, 105,293 centals; duty paid, £8236.

(b) N.E.I., 1s 6d per cental, former duty, 1s 6d. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 1s 6d; fretrade section, no alteration recommended. Imports last year, 138,765 centals; duty pair, £10,239.

The item was agreed to.

There was trouble when some members realised that the whole item had been passed with its sub-sections.

Mr. BROWN said he wanted to make proposals in regard to one of the sub-sections but the chairman ruled that the whole item had been passed.

Grain and pulse, prepared as manufactured;—(a) Bran, pollard, and sharps, 1s per cental; former duty, 1s. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 1s; freetrade section, no alteration recommended.

(b) Wheaten flour, 2s 6d per cental; former duty, 2s 6d. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 2s 6d; freetrade section, no alteration recommended.

(c) Cornflour, 2d per lb; former duty ½d. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, 2d; freetrade section, no alteration recommended. Imports last year, 1,857,937lb; duty paid, £3965.

(d) N.e.i., including phosphorised wheat, ½d per lb; former duty, 2s 6d per cental. Recommendations of Tariff Commission: Protectionist section, ½d; freetrade section, no alteration recommended. Imports last year, 1,500,326lb; duty paid, £3226.

Sub-sections A and B were agreed to.

Mr. JOHNSON (N.S.W.) moved that the duty on sub-section C on cornflower, which included maizena, should be a half-penny.

The amendment was negatived on division by 43 votes to 13.

Mr. JOSEPH COOK moved as an amendment the reduction of the duty to 1½d.

The amendment was negatived by 37 votes to 20.

Mr. JOSEPH COOK then moved the insertion of a preferential duty of 1½d on the products of the United Kingdom.

The amendment was negatived on division by 38 votes to 16.

The item was then agreed to without amendment.

Sub-section D, item 66. Mr. THOMAS BROWN moved to reduce the duty to 2s 6d per cental, the former rate.

The amendment was defeated on the voices and the item was passed.

Animal foods, n.e.i. General tariff: Per cental, 2s; former, 1s 6d, and free. Recommendation of Tariff Commission, nil. Imports last year, 84 centals; duty paid, £10.

The item was passed without amendment.

Hay and chaff. General tariff, 1s; former duty, 1s. Recommendation of Tariff Commission, no alteration. Imports last year, 895cwt; duty paid, £39.

Mr. THOMAS BROWN moved as an amendment that the item be placed on the free list.

The TREASURER said he had not a great deal of sympathy with those who had to import hay and chaff during a drought, as they had ample opportunities of making provision in good times for lean years.

Mr. M'WILLIAMS (Tas.) moved to add to the amendment a provision that hay and chaff should be free until October 31, 1908, in order that drought should be provided for.

Progress was reported at 10.55 p.m., and the House adjourned till the following day.

DARLING RIVER LEAGUE.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The Darling River Railway League last night adopted a short pamphlet in advocacy of a railway to Menindie. The document is to be sent to each member of Parliament and distributed in other quarters. The league points out that the railway is necessary for water supply purposes, to give Broken Hill a better firewood supply, for the encouragement of irrigation, for settlement at Menindie, to provide Broken Hill with vegetables and fodder, and also for purposes of recreation. The petition in favour of the line carries 13,981 signatures.

MILITARY.

TENTERFIELD, Tuesday.

On Saturday afternoon Captain C. H. Brand, instructional staff-officer, carried out the annual inspection of the local half-squadron of the A.L.H. There was a good muster of men, who were put through close order and extended drill by various non-commissioned officers and officers to the satisfaction of the inspecting officer. Captain Brand stated that Tenterfield upheld its reputation as one of the best mounted units in the State. He also congratulated the squadron on the number of its marksmen.

The following appointments, transfers, changes, etc, have been approved:—

Staff: Battery-sergeant-major Philip Chasmore Raper, from the instructional staff (S.A.), to be lieutenant on probation to the Queensland administrative and instructional staff; Captain John Walter Maxwell has been transferred from the administrative and instructional staff (Queensland), to such staff, cadets (Victoria); Lieutenant John Herbert Hurst (R.A.A.), to be temporary captain; Lashford Alfred Reginald Cardale (6th A.L.H., New England), to be second-lieutenant; Walter White Ellis (N.S.W. A.G.A.), to be second-lieutenant; Lieutenant Marcus England Soane, from the unattached list, to be lieutenant; Second-Lieutenant Sidney Phillips (2nd A.L.H.), resigned his commission.

Commonwealth Cadet Corps.—Hugh Miller Anderson (senior cadets), to be lieutenant on probation; William John Cunningham, Albert Hugh Baldock, Allan John Doyle, Anton Joseph Salter, to be lieutenants on probation; Captain James Clement Burges (unattached list), to be captain. The following detachments have been formed:—King's College, Goulburn, to form part of No. 9, St. Joseph's School, Wagga, part of No. 10, and St. Mary's school, Newcastle, part of No. 12, N.S.W. Battalion, Commonwealth Cadet Corps.

The formation of the following rifle clubs is notified:—Nyngan, Urana, and A.M.P.

SHIRE COUNCILS.

DEMONDRILLE.—The monthly meeting of the Demondrille Shire Council was presided over by Councillor J. Bourke, president, on Saturday. The council decided to form and gravel the approaches to the Douglas Gap crossing. The Treasurer has approved of the council borrowing £800 beyond the legal limit. It was agreed to co-operate with the Lake Macquarie Council in an effort to obtain the dog tax for the benefit of the shires. Several applications for the closing of roads were dealt with by the council. Messrs. Wilcox Bros. applied for the consolidation of their holdings, instead of having the assessment on their holdings, instead of having them assessed separately. The council acquiesced in the request.

SUTHERLAND.—Considerable interest has centred in the appeal of F. S. Holt, at the Court of Petty Sessions held on Monday at the Shire Council-chambers. The Holt-Sutherland Company secured a lease of 56 years, beginning in 1899, with power to sub-let on 99 years, beginning at the same period (1899). When this expires the sub-lessees become the tenants of the owner. The council, in virtue of section 136 of the Local Government Act, which reads: "Valuations to be made and adopted under this Act shall be separate valuations made in respect of each parcel of rateable land as separately held by any occupier, tenant, lessee, or owner," prepared a rate paper for each holding. There are 600 holdings sub-let.

Mr. Kent, who represented Mr. Holt, took the point that valuations should have been made for the whole of the estate as one parcel. He contended that Mr. Holt did not recognise the sub-tenants or the numerous holdings into which the estate had been cut up. He only recognised one tenant, the company, and the estate as one holding. He further argued that as many of the holdings were only valued at £14, or thereabouts, and the minimum rate chargeable under section 150 was 2s 6d, his client was paying more than double the rate.

Mr. Morgan argued for the council, during which he quoted a recent important decision at Tocumwal.

Mr. Isaacs decided against Mr. Holt.

Mr. Kent requested the magistrate to state a case, with a view to probable further protest.

The appeal as to high assessment is to be taken on Wednesday.

HELENSBURGH.—The Bulli Council have requested the Government to dedicate a land reserve adjoining the School of Arts, Helensburgh, as a public park. An estimate of the necessary expenditure up to June 30, 1908, was furnished by the clerk and engineer, which showed that the total revenue derivable from a 2d in the £ rate would be under £3300, and that the necessary expenditure would be £5000. The clerk was instructed to forward the estimate to the Minister for Works, with other information. The council decided to prepare a petition for signature by the ratepayers, praying the Government to hasten all arrangements for a suitable water supply. The question of a supply of water for Helensburgh from the Home for Incurables, which the Works Department offered if the cost of pipes and pumping was borne by the residents, was referred to Councillors Spiller and Mitchell. It was resolved that tenders be called for gravelling Lilyvale-street, Helensburgh.

LITHGOW.—At the last meeting of the Blaxland Council, the Lake Macquarie Shire Council wrote asking the council to co-operate in endeavouring to obtain the collection of the dog tax by the shires. It was decided to co-operate. The rate of 1½d in the £ on the unimproved capital value of all ratable land in the shire was confirmed, and application will now be made to have the Land Tax Acts suspended within the shire. Three tenders were received for the erection of council-chambers. That of G. Phillips, £385, was accepted.

BLAND.—At a meeting of the Bland Council it was resolved to apply for the right to collect dog registration fees, but to oppose the proposed new ordinances in connection with the butchering business, so far as this shire is concerned, the proposals in many particulars being considered "unnecessary, extreme, and unworkable." It was decided to again make application to the Minister for Works for the extension of the railway line into West Wyalong for passenger and postal traffic. A notification was received from the Chief Secretary showing that the boundaries of the town of West Wyalong for the purposes of the Police in Towns Act had been extended very considerably, and now includes 1750 acres. The rates are coming in freely, and though the time for lodging appeals is nearly up only one notice has been received.

MOSS VALE.—At a meeting of the Wingecarribbee Council on Saturday it was decided to negotiate for the purchase of a metal-crushing machine, with traction engine.

SUTHERLAND.—The first appeal court in connection with the rates assessment for the Sutherland Shire was opened in the council-chambers. The appeals are being heard by Mr. Isaacs, S.M. The principal appellant is Mr. J. S. Holt, as owner of the Holt Sutherland Estate, Mr. Kent appearing on his behalf. Mr. Boulton is appearing for the Intercolonial Land Company, who have also many appeals. Mr. Morgan represents the shire council. Eighteen appeals were taken on Monday, 13 being sustained and the remainder reduced. Mr. Kent, on behalf of Mr. Holt, endeavoured to prove that the assessors were wrong in the manner of procedure. Mr. Isaacs decided against Mr. Kent, who asked permission to state a case for the Supreme Court. Mr. Holt's further appeal for reduction was adjourned till Wednesday.

WEE WAA.—At last council meeting a motion to accept a plan for new shire offices containing nine rooms was carried, and the architect was instructed to invite tenders without delay. A further motion,—"That the offices be built on portion of vacant block of land next to the post-office, Wee Waa, and that president and architect be empowered to receive and accept a tender," was also agreed to.

Daughters of Boer farmers in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony make no secret of their preference for British suitors. Members of the South African Constabulary especially stand very high in the favour of Boer maidens, and an old burgher who was asked recently if he would like to see the force abolished, exclaimed: "Abolish them! Why, they're all engaged to our girls!"

This week's issue of the "Sydney Mail" contains many striking illustrations and a number of portraits of winners at the Randwick Rifle Range.—Advt.

THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.

THE SENATE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The President took the chair at 3 p.m.

EQUAL EXCISE AND IMPORT DUTIES.

Senator STEWART (Q.) asked the Vice-President of the Executive Council if, in view of recent developments in connection with the administration of the Excise Tariff Act of 1906, would the Government consider the desirability of amending the Act so as to provide that excise duties levied under it should be equal to import duties under the Customs Tariff Act of 1906.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said that at present the Government could give no assurances in the direction suggested, but it would receive careful consideration in connection with the general question of the new protection, which was having attention.

MELBOURNE OFFICES' COST.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL informed Senator M'Gregor (S.A.) that the rent paid for office accommodation in Melbourne amounted to £4892.

A DAILY "HANSARD."

Senator STEWART (Q.) asked the Minister for Home Affairs if he did not think it would be desirable in the public interests to publish a daily "Hansard," to be circulated at a cheap rate.

The MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS said the Government did not feel justified in entering upon such a departure. Strictly speaking, it was a matter for Parliament to decide.

ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT.

On the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council this bill was read the first time. It is an Act to amend the law relating to Parliamentary elections, and to provide for the settlement of questions relating to the qualifications of members of Parliament, and to vacancies in either House of Parliament.

ANTI-TRUST AMENDMENT.

On the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council, the Industries Preservation Act Amending Bill was read the third time.

EXCISE PROCEDURE.

On the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council the report of the committee on the Excise Procedure Bill was adopted, and the third reading made an order for the following day.

QUARANTINE.

The debate was resumed on the second reading of the Quarantine Bill.

Senator TURLEY (Q.) supported the measure. He considered that the Commonwealth should certainly take the powers given it by the bill in preventing one State under State laws doing an injury to the industries of another State.

Senator NEILD (N.S.W.) said that two-thirds of the bill were undoubtedly outside the proper interpretation of the word quarantine. It was never intended by those who framed the Constitution that quarantine should extend to potatoes and cows. He would support the bill, if its powers were confined to oversea, interport, and border quarantine.

The second reading was agreed to on the voices.

Several clauses were considered in committee, and progress was reported.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Senate adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker took the chair at 3 o'clock.

THE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAY.

The PRIME MINISTER, in reply to Mr. Willis (N.S.W.), said that as far as he knew no steps had been taken to appoint a survey party to survey the transcontinental railway route, but the matter was now before the South Australian Parliament. There would be no delay.

THE EXCISE AND DISTILLERIES.

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS, in reply to Mr. Batchelor (S.A.), said that distillers had been asked to furnish declarations, and had been given until the end of the present month to do so.

TELEGRAPHIC DELAYS.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in reply to Mr. John Thomson (N.S.W.), said he was aware that telegrams, and especially press messages were frequently seriously delayed throughout New South Wales. His predecessor had given instructions to afford additional facilities, and these were being carried out.

ANTI-TRUST AMENDMENT BILL.

The Anti-trust Amendment Bill to amend the Industries Preservation Act was received from the Senate and was read the first time.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House adjourned at 10.55 p.m. till the following day.

BEGA QUARTER SESSIONS.

BEGA, Wednesday.

The Quarter Sessions opened yesterday, before Judge Fitzhardinge. Mr. Armstrong, K.C., was Crown Prosecutor. Frederick Arthur Moon, a young man, pleaded guilty to a serious offence at Niagara, Kameruka, on July 25. Accused was released under the First Offenders Act, owing to certain circumstances urged in extenuation. Joshua Edward Burgess, charged with assault at Rocky Hall, was acquitted. Edward George Edwards, of Bermagui, an elderly man, charged with a serious offence, was acquitted. Charles Byrnes appealed against an order made against him for the maintenance of his illegitimate child. After hearing evidence, his Honor reserved decision.

SUBURBAN NEWS.

ABBOTSFORD TRAMWAY.

A deputation, representing the Ashfield Municipal Council and the Haberfield Progress Association, was introduced by Mr. W. E. V. Robson, M.L.A., to the Railway Commissioners yesterday, to ask that the Abbotsford line might be duplicated from Norton-street to Wattle-street, in order to avoid delays which it was stated frequently occurred; and also that a waiting-shed should be erected at Wattle-street. It was urged that the district was growing very rapidly, and warranted an improvement in the service.

In reply, the Chief Commissioner stated that the question of the duplication of the Abbotsford line had already been under consideration. The Commissioners had included in the estimates for the current year a sum of money to cover the duplication from Norton-street to Alt-street, and when the money was available, the work would be carried out. With regard to the waiting-shed, inquiry had already been made as to the average number of passengers joining the trams at Wattle-street, and from the result of this investigation the Commissioners did not consider that the construction of a waiting-shed was justified at present.

FREE GARBAGE REMOVAL.

The collection and disposal of house garbage have always proved a source of trouble and expense to suburban municipalities, and it was in order to provide for portion of this expense that the North Sydney Council, about four years ago, decided to impose a small charge upon householders. This action was induced by the necessity for obtaining additional income. The limited rating powers conferred by the old Municipalities Act, combined with the demand for many new works arising out of the phenomenal development of the district, rendered it imperative that advantage should be taken of every possible means for increasing the revenue. The charge imposed was a small one, and did not cover the actual cost of the service, but has been sufficient to yield about £800 per annum. Against this, has been the actual cost of the service, about £1000 per annum, and the further cost of keeping accounts and collecting the fees, which has proved expensive and difficult. There is, moreover, a deep-rooted aversion to the charge on the part of householders, which leads many of them to evade it by depositing the contents of their garbage-box on back lanes and vacant allotments.

It has been found impossible to prevent this, and, in consequence, the work of the scavengers has been increased. The practice is also a source of irritation to the owner of the allotments referred to, especially when called upon by the sanitary inspector to remove the accumulations. The new Local Government Act having conferred greater rating powers on municipalities, and consequently better opportunities for raising the revenue required, the Mayor of North Sydney recently suggested to his council that the charge should be discontinued after December 31 next. The council unanimously approved of this suggestion, and the service will accordingly be rendered free to householders in that municipality after January 1, 1908.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

KANGAROO VALLEY, Monday.

Prize shooting, 10 shots at 600yds, on Saturday, resulted:—Graham 29, Barrett 32, Lestrange 27, J. Wright 27, F. Wright 27, Nelson 26, Lidbetter 26.

MOLONG, Monday.

The Molong A.L.H. have defeated the Dubbo A.L.H. in the commanding officers' and regimental cup competitions by 500 points to 500 at the 500 and 600 yards ranges. Molong scores:—Sergt.-major D. Hall, 31, 32—63; Sergt.-farrier H. Cady, 30, 32—62; Lance-corporal B. Miligate, 29, 32—61; Trooper C. Milgate, 27, 32—59; Trooper H. M'Groder, 25, 30—59; Lance-corporal T. Ball, 29, 29—58; Trooper D. Robards, 29, 29—58; Sergeant S. Ball, 30, 28—58; Lieut. D. Smith, 29, 28—57; Trooper G. Barker, 25, 30—55.

Mr. J. B. Miller, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, has discovered what is believed to be the richest nickel deposit in Canada, near Worthington, in Northern Ontario. The vein is reported to be a hundred feet wide, and to contain almost pure metal. The Standard Oil capitalists, who control the nickel field in Canada, are endeavouring to purchase the new ground.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—Oct. 30.

Pera, s, 7635 tons, Captain Cock, from Kobe, via Brisbane. E. Trelawny, agent.

Kish, s, 4926 tons, Captain Robinson, from Port Pirie. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., agents.

Kildale, s, 3829 tons, Captain Milner, from Valparaiso. J. White, agent.

River Boyne, bqtn, 465 tons, Captain Elbe, from Greymouth. Union S. and P.C. Company, agents.

Wakatipu, s, 1945 tons, Captain Graham, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Howth, four-masted bq, 2166 tons, Captain Evans, from Liverpool, off the Heads. Dalton Bros., agents.

Duranbah, s, 284 tons, Captain Sinclair, from Tweed River. North Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Namoi, s, 1414 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Ltd., agents.

Kempsey, s, 482 tons, Captain Greer, from Macleay River. Cairn's Coastal Co-operative S.S. Company, Ltd., agents.

City of Grafton, s, 825 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Kyarra, s, 6952 tons, Captain Osborne, from Western Australia, via ports. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Hastings, s, 193 tons, Captain Lacey, from Macleay River. Cain's C.C. S.S. Co., Ltd., agents.

Winfield, s, 3215 tons, Captain Thomsett, from Queensland ports. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

DEPARTURES.—Oct. 30.

Orontes, R.M.S., for London, via ports.

Largo Law, s, for Wellington, via Newcastle.

Wakatipu, s, for Launceston.

Augsburg, s, for Brisbane.

Suva, s, for Noumea and Fiji.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—Oct. 31.

Zealandia, s, for Auckland; Eden, s, for Eden; Hillmeads, s, for Moruya; Commonderry, s, for Moruya; City of Grafton, s, for Richmond River; Kempsey, s, and Electra, s, for Macleay River; Pyrmont, s, for Port Macquarie; Hunter, s, for Newcastle; Bellinger, s, for Camden Haven; Mokau, s, for Tweed River; Tuncurry, s, for Camden Haven.

CLEARANCES.—Oct. 30.

Orontes, R.M.S., 9022 tons, Captain Ruthven, for London, via ports.

Augsburg, s, 4807 tons, Captain Paulsen, for Brisbane.

Wakatipu, s, 1945 tons, Captain Graham, for Launceston, via Eden.

Anglian, s, 2150 tons, Captain H. Mills, for Melbourne.

ENTERED OUTWARD.

Pera, s, for London, via ports. James Johnson, sch, for San Francisco, via Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—Oct. 30.

Pera, s, from Japan: 47 pkgs curios, 49 pkgs matting, and sundries.

River Boyne, bqtn, from Greymouth: 343,290ft white pine.

EXPORTS.—Oct. 30.

Orontes, R.M.S., for London: 1042 bls wool, 94 bls skins, 38 bls leather, 503 crts rabbits and hares, 2026 bxs butter, 2041 cres lamb, 500 cres mutton, 324 legs mutton, 5700 brs bullion, 2 bxs gold, 581 bgs copper matte, sundries.

Augsburg, s, for Hamburg, via Brisbane: 115 pcs timber, 153 bgs ivory nuts.

Messrs. Nelson and Robertson report the following charters:—Tacora, 874 tons, South Australia to South Africa; Highland Monarch, 2545 tons, Australia to U.K. and Continent; Cimba, 1097 tons, Australia to U.K. and Continent; Isle of Erin, 889 tons, Australia to U.K. and Continent; Meridian, 1385 tons, Newcastle to Iquique.

The Marere, from Adelaide Oct. 3, arrived at Suez on Oct. 28, en route to London.

The Darius left Singapore Oct. 28 for Australian ports.

Captain A. J. Emslie has been appointed to take charge of the Union line steamer Wainui, now running in the Melbourne and Strahan service. For a considerable period Captain Emslie was chief officer on the turbine steamer Loongana, and subsequently took charge of the Kamona.

The Federal liner Suffolk, which arrived at Adelaide on Saturday, left Liverpool on September 14, so that the trip was accomplished in 41 days, which was excellent steaming when allowance is made for the fact that the vessel called at Capetown. She has a large number of passengers for the eastern States.

The efforts made last week to refloat the steamer Mildura, which is stranded at Nor'-west Cape, W.A., proved unsuccessful. The trials were made both morning and evening, but the tide only rose 5ft. The last trial had to be abandoned on account of the bad weather, heavy seas parting the cables. The vessel is only 50ft nearer deep water. The prevailing unfavourable weather and low tides will probably induce the salvage party, which is under the direction of Captains Tindall and Taylor, to defer further attempts to refloat the steamer until early next year, when more suitable weather should be experienced.

Yesterday The Kish anchored in Neutral Bay and the Pera off Mosman, and the Nairnshire went from the F.H.S. Wharf to the stream. This morning the Somerset will be removed from the F.H.S. Wharf to the stream, and the barque Charles Cotesworth will go out of Woolwich Dock.

The barquentine River Boyne, with a cargo of white pine from Greymouth, Oct. 17, arrived at Sydney yesterday and anchored in Johnstone's Bay. Fine weather conditions prevailed during the voyage.

The R.M.S. Mongolia arrived at Plymouth Oct. 23.

The R.M.S. Victoria arrived at Suez from Australia Oct. 27.

The F.M.S. Ville de la Ciotat left Suez for Australia on Oct. 23.

The Union Company's new turbine steamer Maori, which is to run between Wellington and Lyttelton, arrived at Fremantle yesterday. On her trial trip she attained a speed of 20¾ knots per hour, using only five-sixths of her boiler capacity. The Marama, another new steamer of the Union Company, arrived at Melbourne yesterday.

The Breiz Huel arrived at Wellington, N.Z., on Tuesday from Albany, W.A., with a cargo of timber.

PASSENGERS BY THE SOMERSET.

The F.H.S. steamer Somerset, bound to London and Liverpool, will leave Sydney to-morrow. Passengers—Miss L. Piggott, Miss Payne, Mr. J., Mrs., Miss, and Masters Glacken (2), Mrs. J. Ballantyne, Messrs. J. Kerrard, Walton, J. Sampson, O. Grimshaw, H. P. Neilson, W. Keogh, F. Clark, J. M'Donald, A. Watson, W. Skelton, J. G. Parsons, P. M'Carthy, G. Lilly.

THE BLACKWALL REFLOATED.

The Blackball Coal Company's wooden hulk Blackwall, which sank at No. 4 jetty, Lyttelton, on the night of April 6, with 1500 tons of coal, was refloated on Oct. 16. Two contracts for raising the hulk had failed, and subsequently a report was obtained from Captain Falconer, of the Royal Engineers, which eventually proved the guiding factor in raising the hulk. Forty men, including four divers, were employed, and two tides were worked every day. The divers, who were employed for a fortnight, worked two at a time for six hours a day in two three-hour shifts. The bulwarks were built up till they were just above high-water mark. The hull was completely wrapped in canvas, and portion (700 tons) of the coal was lifted with a Priestman dredge. The dredge Timaru went alongside the hulk on Oct. 16, and her large 18in suction pipe was connected up. Soon the water was being lifted at the rate of 1500 tons an hour. Shortly after 5 p.m. the hulk floated. When the pump stopped there was 6ft of water in the hulk, and a bucket brigade completed the work.

THE KILDALE.

The steamer Kildale, in ballast from Valparaiso, Sept. 27, arrived at Sydney yesterday. She put into Auckland to replenish her bunkers and left on Oct. 25. On the next day she sighted the barque Alexander Black, bound from Rotterdam to San Diego, 20 miles off the Three Kings. The Kildale will go into Woolwich Dock to-day, and on Friday will proceed to Newcastle, which port she left three months ago.

THRILLING STORY OF THE SEA.

After clinging to the sides of their wrecked vessel for four days, buffeted by rough seas, and without a scrap of food, six of the crew of a Finnish brigantine were rescued by the Wilson liner Romeo. While crossing the Gulf of Bothnia, the brigantine, the Gallus, encountered a heavy gale, which reached its height on Sept. 11. The vessel was suddenly thrown on her beam ends. The hatches burst, and the vessel capsized. The crew of nine clung to the slippery sides of the vessel throughout the gale. The first to show signs of distress was the steward, who died later from exposure. Shortly after the death of the steward one of the seamen lost his hold, and was washed away. The captain went after the man, but could not reach him. He then found he was unable to regain the side of the vessel and was drowned. Steamers passed without sighting the drifting brigantine or the frantic signals of the six survivors. Emaciated and practically unconscious from want of food, they were on the point of despair when the Romeo arrived and rescued them.

COASTAL REPORTS.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Tweed Heads, light NE wind; Clarence Heads, mod. NE; Port Macquarie, strong NE; Newcastle, mod. N; Sydney Heads, light N; Gabo Island, fresh N gale.

Bar Harbours.—Manning, bar 10ft 6in, crossing 7ft 6in, rise 2ft; South-west Rocks, bar 11ft; Ballina, bar 13ft inside channel, 16ft beacons in line; Port Macquarie, bar 8ft 6in, crossing 8ft 9in, rise 2ft 6in; Clarence, bar 16ft, rise 4ft, crossing 13ft 9in, rise 1ft 9in; Tweed, bar 8ft 5in, inner bar 8ft 3in, crossing 8ft 1in, rise 2ft 6in.

A SINGULAR LAUNCH.

"Old Sailor" writes, stating that the Suevic was not the first boat to have a new bow built and put on, and travel any great distance. The Rome had a new bow built about 16 years ago at Caird's, Greenock, and travelled between the old country and Australia.

SHORT OF PROVISIONS.

There was surprise in shipping circles on Oct. 22 (remarks the Hobart "Mercury") on it being reported that a large foreign ship was coming up D'Entrecasteaux Channel. It is many years since that passage has been used by deep-sea sailers in approaching the port, and it was guessed that this must be some stranger to the port putting in for some requirement or other. So, indeed, it proved. The vessel turned out to be the Louise, a German ship of 1462 tons, bound from Geestemunde to San Francisco, in charge of Captain H. Wilms. The Louise, it is worthy of mention, formerly traded under the American flag by the name of Charger, and some years ago was sold to a German firm. The vessel, which is carrying a cargo of coke for San Francisco, had made a long passage, being 130 days out, and has had great buffeting, in which she has lost her mizzen-yard. In the protracted passage the supplies of provisions and water were becoming seriously reduced, and, in consequence, the master of the vessel resolved to put into Hobart. Having only an ocean chart to work with, he found some difficulty in navigating D'Entrecasteaux Channel, which, though frequently used by steamers from home, is seldom employed by deep-sea sailers. Around the south coast, too, the vessel was faced with dangers and difficulties, but she managed to reach the Channel, though struck by a westerly gale on approaching it. On the night of Oct. 22 the vessel anchored off the Zuidpool Rock, so called from a Dutch vessel which touched there many years ago. Next day Pilot Harris put off in the pilot launch, and brought the vessel up to Hobart.

MELBOURNE STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Monaro is to leave Fremantle to-day for the E. States. Hobart is due at Melbourne next Saturday from W.A. Sydney is to leave Fremantle next Saturday for E. States. Brisbane is bound from Kaipara to Melbourne. Melbourne is due at Melbourne tomorrow from Newcastle. Leeuwin will leave Esperance Bay to-day for Albany.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

TOWNSVILLE.—Arr: Oct. 29, Arawatta, from Sydney. Oct. 30; Barrier, from Cairns. Dep: Oct. 30, Gabo, for Cairns.

GLADSTONE.—Arr: Oct. 30, Bingera, from Townsville.

BRISBANE.—Arr: Oct. 30, Aorangi, R.M.S., from Sydney. Dep: Bombala, for Sydney; Buninyong, for Rockhampton.

RICHMOND RIVER (331m).—Arr: Oct. 30, Nerong, 5.25 p.m. Dep: Brundah, 3.15 p.m.

CLARENCE HEADS (296m).—Dep: Oct. 30, Kyogle, 3.30 p.m.

WOOLGOOLGA (254m).—Passed N: Oct. 30, Wodonga, 4.25 p.m. S: Like China Company's steamer, 3.30 a.m.

COFF'S HARBOUR (240m).—Dep: Oct. 30, Cavanba, 7.30 a.m.

BELLINGER (230m).—Arr: Oct. 30, Rosedale, 1.40 p.m. Alpha, sch, barbound.

NAMBUCCA (225m).—Arr: Oct. 29, Ellerslie, 1 p.m.

MACLEAY (216m).—Dep: Oct. 30, Euroka, 5 a.m.

SMOKY CAPE (205m).—Passed N: Oct 30, Wodonga, 1.20 p.m., Warrego, 2 p.m.

PORT MACQUARIE (174m).—Dep: Oct. 30, Pyrmont, 2.55 p.m.

TACKING POINT (169m).—Passed N: Oct. 30, three-masted schooner, 12.35 p.m.; three-masted schooner, painted white, 1.45 p.m.; Noorebar and Ramornie, 4.45 p.m.; Kallatina and Konoowarra, 6.10 p.m. S: Mokau, 2.15 p.m.; Wollowra, 3.25 p.m.; H.M.S. Pyramus, 6 p.m.

CROWDY HEAD (147m).—Passed S: Oct. 30, Cavanba, 4.15 p.m.; large steamer, yellow funnel, black top, 5 p.m.; Pyrmont, 5.30 p.m.

MANNING HEADS (144m).—Arr: Oct. 30, Kincumber, 12.15 p.m.

SEAL ROCKS (109m).—Passed N: Oct. 30, Corra Lynn, 11.15 a.m., Bellinger, 1.10 p.m., Dorrigo, 12.10 p.m., Nymboida, 1.50 p.m.

PORT STEPHENS (78m).—Passed N: Oct. 30, Rocklily, 3.45 p.m., Cooloon, 5 p.m.

NEWCASTLE (62m).—Arr: Oct. 30, Noorebar, Hunter, Wallsend, Tuncurry, Archer, Cooloon, Kelvinbank, Moorabool, Sphene, Largo Lad, Macleay, Friendship, strs, Cavan and Lady Mabel, schs, from Sydney; Norkoowa, from Kembla; Wyoming, from Richmond River; Augustus, bq, from Guaymas. Dep: Ashridge, Chillagoe, for Melbourne; Tuncurry, Duckenfield, Aldenham, Wakatipu, Murray, Duranbah, Wallsend, strs, Lady Mabel, schr, for Sydney; Noorebar, Cooloon, for Byron Bay; Dorrigo, for Coff's Harbour; Carmoney, bq, and Killarney, bq, for West Coast; Wyoming, sch, for north.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74m).—Arr: Oct. 30, Peterborough, 4.20 a.m. Dep: Coomonderry, 2.40 p.m.

JERVIS BAY (87m).—Oct. 30, H.M.Ss. Pegasus and Prometheus, still in bay. Arr: Burunda, from the north. Passed S: Ruskaka, sch, 1.45 p.m.

MORUYA (144m).—Dep: Oct. 30, Wandra, 7.40 p.m.

EDEN (210m).—Dep: Oct. 30, Bega, s, at 7.30 a.m.

GREEN CAPE (218m).—Passed S: Oct. 30, like Port Hunter, 5.15 p.m. N: Steamer, yellow funnel, black top, 11.25 a.m.; Yarra, 5.15 p.m.

GABO ISLAND (238m).—Passed W: Oct. 30, Wyandra, s, 1 p.m. N: Howard Smith steamer, 5 p.m.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Oct. 30: Outward, New Guinea, 8.30 a.m.; Clan M'Alister, 9.10 a.m.; Kadina, 11.30 a.m.; Glaucus, 3.50 p.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arr: Oct. 30, R.M.S. Ophir and Port Chalmers, from London; Loch Garve, sh, from Tacoma; Marama, from Glasgow. Dep: Ajax, from Dunkirk; Cape Breton, for South Africa.

ADELAIDE.—Arr: Oct. 29, F.H.S. Dumbea from Marseilles.

FREMANTLE.—Arr: Oct. 30, Maori, from Colombo, noon. Dep: Oct. 29, Kiel, for Hamburg.

FIJI.

SUVA.—Dep: Oct. 30, Navua, s, for Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND.—Arr: Oct. 30, Opawa, from London; Silver Cloud, bqtn, from Newcastle. Dep: Bucentaur, s, for Melbourne.

WELLINGTON.—Arr: Oct. 31: Monowai, from Sydney. Dep: Avmeric, for Newcastle.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average rainfall for 48 years, 48.600.

Average for 49 years, Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 30.923.

Rainfall, Jan. 1, 1907, to Oct. 29, 27.524.

Total for corresponding period last year, 25.748.

Temperatures.—Max., 75.2; min., 62; 9 p.m., 68.4.

Wind.—Highest velocity, 33 miles from N.E.

Barometers.—Melbourne, 29.62; Brisbane, 30.16; Sydney, at 9 a.m., 30.01; 3 p.m., 29.79; 9 p.m., 29.79.

RAINFALLS.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.):—Adelong 1 point, Araluen 2, Barraba 15, Barringun 5, Bendemeer 5, Blackheath 28, Braidwood 67, Bundarra 142, Bungendore 94, Carcoar 4, Casilis 43, Clarence 4, Coolah 4, Cooma 6, Cootamundra 7, Emmaville 20, Goulburn 3, Gulgong 132, Hill End 5, Hungerford 6, Katoomba 30, Kiandra 28, Kurrajong 8, Lawson 28, Mount Victoria 47, Mudgee 3, Muswellbrook 50, Nimitybelle 10, Nundle 9, Queanbeyan 23, Rockley 11, Springwood 73, Tamworth 7, Warialda 3, Warren 8, Yass 18.

6 p.m. record:—Albury 9 points, Bathurst 1, Brewarrina 18, Cooma 3, Corowa 22, Deniliquin 22, Forbes 23, Taralga 6, Tocumwal 27, Wagga 9, Wentworth, 10. Raining at 6 p.m. at Bourke, Brewarrina, Bathurst, Deniliquin, Kiandra, Wagga, and Wentworth.

Victoria.—Light in south-west.

Queensland.—Principal rainfalls: North, Cardwell 12 points, Cooktown 34, Geraldton 60, Grassy Hill, 24, Halifax 30, Ingham 22; central, Bustard Head 31.

FORECASTS.

New South Wales.—Unsettled to showery and thundery over W. districts, extending over tablelands to parts of coast; southerly change reaching South Coast Wednesday night, and gradually extending northwards.—A. Noble.

Victoria.—General rains, soon clearing inland, continuing showery south of the ranges, with fresh SW winds, squally and rough seas in the Straits.—P. Baracchi.

SYNOPSIS.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Temperatures were high over northern and far western areas yesterday, and towards evening thundery conditions again developed, causing light to moderate, but patchy, rainfall at some stations on the Paroo and Warrego in the far north-west; also on the western slopes, tablelands, and extreme north coast. Some heavy totals, approaching 1½ inch, occurred on the tablelands.

THE RIVERS.

Heights above summer level of the rivers.—Oct. 30: Albury, 3ft 10in; Balranald, 7ft 4in; Bingara, s. 1.; Boggabilla, 1ft 9in, f.; Booligal, 2ft; Bourke, 1.; Brewarrina, 1.; Condobolin, 10in; Cowra, 1ft 7in; Dubbo, 2ft 6in; Euabalong, 1ft 5in; Euston, 15ft 3in; Goodooga, 1.; Gundagai, 2ft 6in; Gunnedah, 1.; Hay, 5ft 9in; Kunopia, 1.; Louth, 1ft 5in, f.; Manilla, 1.; Moama, 15ft 10in; Mogil Mogil, 1.; Moulamein, 5ft 5in; Mungundi, 3ft 8in, 1.; Narrandera, 9ft 1in; Tilpa, 1.; Tocumwal, 6ft 10in, Wagga Wagga, 3ft 4in; Wilcannia, 1ft 8in; Yetman, 1.; Barwon, at Walgett, 6ft, r.; Namoi, at Walgett, 2ft 8in, s. Note.—R, rising; F., falling; L., low; S.L., summer level; S., stationary.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA, OCTOBER 31.

Sun rises 4.59, sets 6.20; moon, 1.59, 12.26; Mercury, 5.56, 5.14; Venus, 3.27, 7.18; Mars, 11.18 p.m., 1.17 a.m.; Jupiter, 1.7 a.m., 11.37 p.m.; Saturn, 2.46 p.m., 3.14 a.m.

New moon, November 6; full moon, November 20.

High water, Fort Denison, 3.44 a.m., 4.14 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.†

Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.

Queensland.—Overland, 3.45 p.m.††

Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.

Auckland, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Zealandia, 11 a.m.

Ballina, Broadwater, and Wardell (R.R.).—City of Grafton, 1 p.m.

Port Macquarie.—Pyrmont, 4 p.m.

Macleay River.—Electra, 5 p.m.

Macleay River.—Kempsey, 5 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Riverina, 5.30 p.m.**

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 5.30 p.m.**

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Orion, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 9 a.m.

Manning River.—Burrawong, 11 a.m.

Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands, New Hebrides, and Banks Group.—R.M.S. Tambo, 11 a.m.

Valparaiso (direct).—Bolivians, 3 p.m.

Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Samarang, Sourabaya, Batavia, Singapore, and Dutch East Indies, via Brisbane.—Guthrie, 3.45 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Macassar, Menado, Gorontala, Banda-Neira, Sourabaya, Tjilitjap, and Padang.—Furth, 8 a.m.

Wellington, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Maheno, noon.

Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, via Wellington.—Arowa, noon.

Macleay River and Byron Bay, via Newcastle.—Cavanba, noon.

Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Hawke, 1 p.m.

San Francisco.—Foreric, 3 p.m.

Bellinger River.—Rosedale, 4 p.m.

Port Macquarie.—Wauchope, 5 p.m.

Richmond River.—Brundah, 7 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kyogle, 8 p.m.

*Western Australia, via Adelaide and Fremantle.—Anglian, 9.30 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 9.30 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Eden, 1 p.m.

Nambucca Heads and Macksville.—Rocklily, 4 p.m.

Dunedin, etc. (N.Z.), via Melbourne.—Moeraki, 7 p.m.

Hobart, via Melbourne.—Moeraki, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Hobart (direct).—Westralia, 11 a.m.

Wardell (R.R.).—Ramornie, 1 p.m.

Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Hawke, 4 p.m.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. Orontes, 5.30 p.m.

R.M.S. Orontes (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 5.30 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—R.M.S. Orontes, 5.30 p.m.**

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 5.30 p.m.**

Natal and Capetown, via Melbourne.—Salamis, 7 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.

Coff's Harbour, Coff's Harbour Jetty, and Byron Bay.—Noorebar, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Auckland, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Mokoia, noon.

Tonga and Samoa, from Auckland.—Atua, noon.

Thursday Island, Manila (P.I.), Hongkong, and Japan, via Brisbane.—Yawata Maru, 3.45 p.m.

Thursday Island, Zamboanga, Manila (P.I.), Hongkong, and Japan, via Brisbane.—Changsha, 3.15 p.m.

Port Darwin, Timor, Manila (P.I.), Hongkong, and Japan, via Brisbane.—Aldenham, 3.45 p.m.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, via Adelaide.—G.M.S. Bulow, 5.30 p.m.

G.M.S. Bulow (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 5.30 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 7 p.m.

REFERENCE NOTES.

* Correspondence intended for transmission by this vessel must be specially endorsed with the name of the ship.

†† Letters for Queensland will be accepted without late fee for the Northern Express from 3.45 to 4.15 p.m., if posted at G.P.O. in the Special Box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.

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AMUSEMENTS.

BALMAIN DISTRICT CHORAL UNION.

The first concert of the Balmain District Choral Union will be given at the Central Hall under the direction of Mr. Planche Plummer on Tuesday evening next. Coleridge Taylor's cantata "The Death of Minnehaha" will then be performed, with Miss Geraldine Rivers, Mr. Henry Rote, and Mr. Bryce Carter as assisting artists.

The Agricultural and Pastoral Notes in this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail" deal with important subjects.—Advt.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A larger volume of business was effected on 'Change yesterday, prices ruling firm. New South Wales 3½ per cent. Funded Stock advanced 5/, and Port Jackson Steam /9, while Dalgety and Co. were 2/6 lower. Other sales were at previously current rates.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Dalgety and Co., £6/10/; Colonial Sugar, new, £40/2/6; Port Jackson Steam, 24/3; Mont de Piete, 28/; Perpetual Trustee, 13/; Sydney Hydraulic, paid, 33/6. Afternoon: Permanent Trustee, 5/3; Australian Gaslight, £19/2/6; Fresh Food and Ice, 12/6; New South Wales 3½ per cent. Funded Stock, 1912 £99, 1915 £99/10/; ditto, 1921, £99/10/.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital Paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.*
STOCK.					£	£	£	p.c.
N.S.W.F.S. due 1912	4,066,702	...	...	3	85	85	...	3½
Do., due 1912	1,950,175	...	...	3½	99	98½	99½	3½
Do., due 1912	2,549,850	...	...	4	102	101	102½	3¾
Do., due 1924-5	...	...	...	3	92	88	...	3¼
Do., due 1915	...	...	...	3½	99½	99	99½	3½
Do., due 1921	...	...	...	3½	99½	99	99½	3½
Do., Act 1873	580,189	...	...	4	106	106	110	3¾
Do., 4 p.c. due 9/8/'07	550,000	...	...	4	100⅝	...	...	3½
Do., due 1909	...	...	...	4	100¼	100	100½	4
Do., Deb. 1908	...	...	...	4	...	100	—	4
Do., T. Bills, 1908	1,169,700	...	...	3½	100	99¼	...	3½
Ditto	203,800	...	...	4	101½	100	...	3¾
N.Z. Deb. 1913	...	...	...	4	101	...	...	...
Do., 1921	...	...	...	4	103	...	102½	...
Queens.deb., 1913	...	...	...	4	101½	...	...	4
Do., Tr. Bills	880,000	...	...	4	102¼	101½	...	3¾
W.A. Inscr.	...	...	...	4	101/10/	100½	...	3¾
Austrln. Gas Deb., 1922	880,000	...	...	4	101½	101	103	3¾
City Sydney Deb.	730,000	...	...	4	103½	103	103½	3¾
Do., 1929	160,000	...	...	4	103½	104	...	3¾
Col.Sugar D., 1914	—	...	...	5	108	107	...	4⅞
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	134,528	8½	1	...	...	...	101½	5
Aust'lasia	1,800,000	40	40	14	108½	100½	73/	5¾
City	240,000	10	8	3	75/6	...	70/	...
New Commercial of Aust.	94,882	10	10/	...	15/6	...	14/	...
Ditto, pref.	2,117,290	10	10	3	6/4/0	3¼	...	...
Com. Syd.	...	25	12½	10	26¼	26¼	27½	4¼
Do., New	...	25	8½	10	17	15	...	4¾
N. of Aust.	1,192,440	8	5	6	99	...	100/	5
Ditto, pref.	905,780	10	10	5	11/8	11	...	4½
N.S.W.	2,000,000	20	20	10	42	42½	43	4⅝
Do., new	...	20	20	10	41	41½	...	...
N. Zealand	427,819	6⅔	3⅓	10	10¼	...	10	3⅛
N. Queensl'd	100,000	7	3	4	80/6	80/6	82/	3¾
Q'sland Nat.	418,658	5	3	...	19/	...	...	...
Roy'l of Q.	487,561	9	6¾	4	95/	...	97/	5¼
Union	1,800,000	75	25	14	62	...	61½	5⅝
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bk.—Class B.	...	...	...	3	13/9	13/6	13/10	6
Ditto, 1912	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Class B., 1917	...	...	...	...	18/7½	12/	12/9	...
Do., Insc.	798,033	...	...	3½	13/6	12/3	13/	6
Com. of Aus. Assets	3,334,903	...	...	3	17/6	17/8	...	...
F.S.A. Insc., pref.	889,419	...	...	3	13/1½	13/	...	4¾
Do., Def.	808,758	...	...	4½	19/	18/6	...	...
Do., Deb.	982,847	...	...	...	...	18/6	...	...
Q.Nat., ex int	8,116,621	...	...	3½	17/3	17/	17/6	4½
STEAM.								
Bal. Ferry ††	30,000	1	1	10	40/	34/	39/	5¼
How'd Smith 10s paid	250,000	20	20/	10	35/3	34/3	35/6	5½
Do., 5s pd.	...	...	...	10/	7/	18/	...	8
Pref. 20s pd.	...	20/	20/	5	20/3	20/	21/9	5
Do., 5s pd.	...	...	...	...	5/6	4/9	...	5
Illawarra ††	49,797	1	15/	7	23/6	22/3	24/	4¾
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	6	24/7½	24/	...	4⅞
N'th Coast	131,280	1	17/6	8	24/9	24/6	25/6	6¼
Do., new	85,419	1	17/6	8	25/10	...	...	...
Port Jackson	88,005	1	15/	14	24/3	23/9	24/	5¾
Syd. Ferries ††	160,000	1	1	10	58/	—	57/	...
Ditto, new	19,886	1	10	...	38/6	...	30/	5¾
INSUR'NCE.								
A.M. Fire	75,000	1	15/	14	45/6	4/	45/	...
Mer. Mut.	45,000	1	6	14½	18/3	18/	19/	4½
New Zealand	250,000	10	2	15	90/	...	84/	4½
Queensland	75,000	1	10/	...	...	17/	...	4¾
United	85,402	...	2½	12½	6½	...	6½	5¾
Col.Mut.Fire	100,000	...	20/	20½	50/6	...	52/6	5¾
COAL.								
Pelaw Main ††	175,000	1	1	15/	58/3	55/	57/6	...
East Greta ††	150,000	1	1	5	20/	...	29/	6¾
Pel'g Greta	42,550	1	1	...	...	9/	1/	5¼
Seaham ††	125,665	5	5	5	38/	10/	58/	7¾
Metrop. pref.	...	1	1	8	...	19/	...	7½
Ditto pref.	...	1	1	5	...	15/	...	8¼
Ditto ord.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7½
Newcastle ††	100,000	10	10	15	7	7	7½	...
North Bull	100,000	...	20/	—	25/	...	25/3	7
South Greta	...	10/	10/	...	16/	15/6	16/9	...
Stockton	...	1	1	4	5/3	5/	5/6	...
New	...	...	16/	4	1/net	...	...	7½
W. of C'd'd	80,000	1	1	10	21/6	20/	20/	...
Wallsend ††	40,000	10	4	+10/	...	28	...	7½
Waratah ††	...	...	...	1/	7/	1/	...	...
Wickham & Bullock Is.	104,945	1	1	—	8/	8/	9/	8
Do., new	...	1	12/	...	4/6	...	7/	...
Do., pref.	...	1	20/	...	20/	19/	21/	...
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	22/	20/	...	5¼
Australian ††	780,000	6	6	15	19½	19	19½	4¾
Ditto New	...	6	3	15	11¾	11½	...	4
Broken Hill	20,000	1	20/	...	...	...	...	...
Do., con.	20,000	1	5/6	...	...	...	...	...
Char. Towers	20,000	10	10	10	14/9	57/	...	7½
Goulburn	16,000	1	1	15	50/	59/	...	5¼
Grafton ††	8,000	1	1	8	30/4½	30/	...	5¼
Katoomba & Leura paid	10,000	1	20/	...	21/	20/	...	...
Maitland ††	15,500	5	5	7	...	6¾	...	5¼
Manly	10,000	1	1	10	31/	30/	31/6	5
Ditto, New	7,500	1	17/6	8	22/	21/	...	4¾
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	23/	22/6	23/6	6
Newcastle ††	45,000	2	2	15	6½	6¼	...	4¾
Nth. Shore ††	150,000	1	1	8	35/	...	40/	4
BREWERIES.								
C. & Wood Bros.	250,000	1	1	4	11/3	...	11/	7
Perkins'	100,000	15/	15/	21½	3/	30/	11/8	8
Toohey's ††	400,000	16/	16/	5	11/6	...	...	7
Tooth's	800,000	1	1	10	38/6	38/	33/	5
MISCELN'S.								
Arnott's ††	17,000	15/	10	...	7/3	...	2/6	...
Aust. News.	55,000	1	...	...	16/6	8/	14/	...
F. H. W. Fur. ††	285,000	1	1	4/6	10/4	...	19/3	10
Farmer, Philip	250,000	1	1	10	40/3	39/	40/	5
New Issue	85,000	1	10	10	20/	...	20/	4½
Peek & Co.	...	...	...	—	...	20/	...	...
Do., pref.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Col. Sugar ††	2,085,290	20	20	10	41½	40	40½	4½
New	...	20	...	...	40½	40	40½	...
Dalgety & Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	6⅛	...	6¼	5¾
Dunlop Pneu. Tyre, pref.	80,000	1	1	7	19/8	20/	...	6¼
Emu B. Rail.	...	...	...	...	4/10½	...	...	...
Ditto, pref. B	...	...	...	...	...	...	18/6	...
Emu & Pros. Gravel	27,200	1	18/	5½	8/	8/3	—	10
Goodlet and Smith	165,000	15	15/	6	15/	14/3	15/	7½
H. M'Kenzie, ord.	60,000	1	1	6	...	27/6	...	...
Do., pref.	40,000	1	1	10	26/	26/	...	...
Melb. Trams	480,000	1	10	11½	28/6	28/	...	4¾
M. de Piete	74,519	1	1	10	28/	27/	28/	5¾
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	6	17/9	18/	...	6¾
Ditto, pref.	50,000	1	1	6	22/	22/	23/	5¼
F. Food, Ice	91,780	12	10/	10	12/6	12/3	12/6	7¾
Paul & Gray	68,982	1	20/	12	24/3	...	25/	10
Pitt, Son, & B.	55,000	1	11/	10	...	...	...	7½
Prm. Trust ††	25,000	5	2/6	10	5/3	5/2	5/6	5
Perp. Trust.	25,000	10	5/	10	13/	12/9	13/3	3½
Potter's Sulphide	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Richardson & Wrench	80,000	1	1	5	14/3	—	14/6	7
Syd. Tram ††	197,800	1	1	20	92/	87/	91/	10
Syd. Cyclo'ma	20,000	1	20/	5	...	17/	17/	6¼
Syd. Exch.	80,000	10	10	6	12½	11½	...	4¾
Syd. Hyd.	75,000	1	1	10	33/6	37/	34/	6
Ditto, cont.	37,500	1	10/	10	16/	15/9	16/3	6¼
Ditto Hyd. & G. F. ††	22,500	1	15/	15	31/	...	30/6	5
Strand Elec.	15,000	1	20/	6	...	...	...	...
Vol. Land Co.	...	...	...	—	120	...	...	—
W. H. Soul, Patt. & Co. ††	120,000	1	1	10	43/	40/	...	4¾
T. N. Hall	8,000	...	20/	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto, pref.	2,700	...	20	...	...	...	...	...
Ltd. Met'pole	75,000	...	20/	6	20/	20/	...	5¾
Ditto, pref ††	17,507	...	20/	6	20/3	20/	...	...
Zinc Corp'atn	80,000	1	20/	...	—	3/	4/	...
Q'sland Meat Ex. & Ag'y	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto, new	...	...	...	...	12/	...	—	...
LAND & BD.								
Com. B. & I.	—	...	...	...	2/6	—	5/	—
Equit. Dep.	...	...	...	...	9/	...	—	...
M'nkt Shares	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ind. Prov.	40,880	20	...	6	19	19	...	...
Intrc. Inv. ††	37,838	1	15/	10	21/	...	...	6¾
Newc. B. & I.	...	...	...	6	19/	...	...	—
Syd. Prov. L.	12,884	4/10	—	...	5/	...	—	—
Syd. & Sub. Dp.	—	...	...	...	...	...	7/	...

*Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. †Per share. ††Ex dividend. **Ex interim. §Call paid. ‡Including a bonus of 4 per cent.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Quotations: Queensland National Bank, s 18/6; ditto, inscribed stock, b 17/1, s 17/4.

FINANCIAL.

THE BUDGET.

Mr. Waddell delivered a plain, understandable statement of the public accounts last evening. While there was an absence of rhetoric, however, all the necessary facts were concisely set forth. Usually these statements are long drawn out and confusing arrangements, being overburdened with non-essential figures and many words. Mr. Waddell made no error of this kind, his speech being a pleasure to listen to for those who desired to gain a comprehensive idea of the facts. The raising of the exemption on earned incomes to £1000 under the Income Tax Act was the main feature of the Budget. This, it is estimated, will mean a reduction in revenue of £83,000, relieving 21,000 people of this form of taxation. Last year the receipts from the income tax totalled £292,523, so that there will still be somewhat over £200,000 to come from this source. Among other remissions there will be the abolition of stamps for receipts which will cost the Treasurer £25,000 for the balance of the financial year; the doing away with the necessity for stamps on cheques £25,000, and on promissory notes and bills of exchange £15,000. There will also be a loss of £10,000 through the tolls on ferries and the dog tax passing to the shires. This means a total remission of £550,000 of taxation. Then on the expenditure side there are also some increases. There will be a subsidy to the shires of £195,000, £50,000 will go from the public works fund to the municipalities and shires, and there is to be an increase of £59,346 in teachers' salaries, and £80,000 will be expended out of the public works fund on public schools and teachers' residences. The Estimates may be summarised as follows:—

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE ACCOUNT.

Balance brought forward	£1,012,985
Estimated revenue, 1907-8	12,799,895*
Total	13,812,880
Estimated expenditure, 1907-8	11,949,049
Surplus at end of year	£1,863,831

*Inclusive of £84,000, advances recovered.

This means that the Treasurer expects revenue to exceed expenditure by £850,896. Of the surplus of £1,863,831 estimated to accrue at the close of the financial year 1907-08, £397,467 will be absorbed in statutory obligations, leaving a net surplus of £1,466,364 to be carried forward. The public works fund will stand as follows:—

PUBLIC WORKS FUND.

Balance brought forward	£292,624
Estimated receipts, 1907-8	1,080,408
Total	1,373,032
Estimated expenditure, 1907-8	1,371,812
Surplus	£1,220

It is estimated that there will be £400,000 available in the closer settlement fund for the purchase of estates during the year.

SUPER-SENSITIVE DIRECTORS.

It is not often that the directors of a public company attempt to stem the tide of a rising market for their shares. This, however, is what the Board of the Page-Morris Company, Limited, is doing. Shares in this company paid up to £1 have changed hands at as much as £20, and the board thinks that the rise is not justified. In this connection we have received the following statement:—

It having come to the knowledge of the directors of the Page-Morris Co., Ltd., that the shares in the company have changed hands at a premium, they would like attention to be called to the fact that in the absence of any report from the London solicitors, who have been instructed to investigate the merits of the claim, and which report cannot be received for some considerable time, they know of nothing to justify any premium being paid for the shares, and in view of the very speculative nature of the undertaking, they think that dealing in the shares at a premium should be discouraged until more is known about the merits of the claim. It may be stated that the evidence available at this end with reference to the claim is exceedingly meagre.

The shares may not be worth 2d. On the other hand they may be worth a great deal more than £20. As they will shortly be listed on 'Change the cause of the market will soon be more readily ascertained. Meanwhile the subscription list has closed.

COLONIAL SUGAR COMPANY.

The half-yearly meeting of the above company was held yesterday, details of which appear elsewhere. The report showed a net profit of £118,053, there being no variation in the rate of dividend. The new capital recently subscribed does not yet appear in the balance-sheet. The following comparison may be made:—

PROFIT AND LOSS.	Half-year ended Sept. 30. 1906.	1907.
	£	£
Net profits	111,674	118,053
Dividend, per cent.	10	10
Amount of dividend	110,000	110,000
Forward	91,030	99,083
LIABILITIES.		
Capital paid up	2,200,000	2,200,000
Reserve funds	329,121	329,133
Debentures	65,000	64,350
Employees' provident fund	91,884	97,478
Sundry creditors	737,103	552,521
ASSETS.		
Refineries, sugar mills, etc.	2,472,872	2,489,742
Immigration expenses	31,944	31,218
Material at refineries	19,865	18,501
Office premises	51,076	51,076
Stocks of sugar	336,920	498,177
Bills receivable, etc.	333,259	255,612
Cash, etc.	364,094	—

THE WICKHAM AND BULLOCK ISLAND COAL.

The half-yearly general meeting of the shareholders of the above company was held at the Royal Exchange at noon yesterday. Mr. Harley Mackenzie presided. The chairman, in moving the adoption of the directors' report and balance-sheet for the half-year ended September 30 said he thought the shareholders could fairly congratulate themselves on the success of the company's operations. The output of coal from the Neath colliery was daily increasing as developments proceeded, and now amounted to 450 tons per day, and by the end of the year the developments would allow of this output being very considerably increased. The chairman then made some references to the selling price of coal, and the possibilities of a strike, which are given elsewhere. Mr. T. G. H. Croft (director) seconded the adoption of the report.

Mr. Creer, a shareholder, said he trusted that a strike would be averted, as it would be a terrible thing for the district, and mean a great loss of trade, as a strike would have the effect of diverting the large foreign trade to other countries, and this would mean a bad time for everyone.

The report was unanimously adopted.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Meetings of the shareholders of Tooth and Co., Ltd., and of the United Insurance Company, Ltd., were held yesterday, when the reports and balance-sheets, which have already been summarised in this column, were adopted.

LONDON FINANCIAL CABLES.

AUSTRALIAN DEBENTURE STOCKS, ETC.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company 4 per cent. debenture stocks, unchanged at 101.

Queensland Investment, Land, and Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 89.

City of Sydney 4 per cent. debentures (1912-13), unchanged at 100.

Dalgety and Co., Ltd., unchanged at 6.

Dalgety and Co., Ltd., 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 100.

Metropolitan Gas Company (Melbourne), 4½ per cent., unchanged at 101.

Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Ltd., 4½ per cent. debenture stocks, unchanged at 61.

Australian and New Zealand Mortgage Company 4½ per cent. debentures, unchanged at 98½.

COMMERCIAL.

LINSEED OIL.

Commenting on the London oil market, the "Ironmonger" of September 28 says of linseed:—"Apart from the influence of the steady growth in consumption, there have been two main causes affecting prices, viz., on the one hand, the larger imports of seed, and especially the receipts from the Argentine; and, on the other hand, the tendency of linseed oil imports to fall off as compared with last year. Of course, it is generally realised that last year's imports of oil were exceptional, but a fear seemed to linger that they might be repeated this year. Without any increase in oil imports it would appear that the market is able to absorb quite readily the arrivals of seed, and hence, after a fall of some £2 per ton up to August 15, prices took a turn the other way, and at the time of writing the whole of this loss has been regained. There is still some anxiety with regard to the future of oil values, and sellers for January-April delivery are content to suffer a backwardation of £2 per ton. The chances of successful speculation on this 'back' depend a great deal upon the rate of consumption maintained during the last three months of the year. If this falls off these forward sales will no doubt be justified. The arrivals of seed continue to be upon an ascending scale."

ENGLISH VIEW OF SHOP ASSISTANTS' AWARD.

The Arbitration award in the N.S.W. shop assistants' case has created a good deal of interest abroad. Some of the London trade journals have reproduced it in full, chiefly as an example of the sort of thing that can happen to people in a headstrong, new country. The general attitude is one of surprised wonder that such outside regulations of private operations should be even attempted. "The judgment," says one journal, "is a drastic one, but it shows the extent to which theoretical social economics are being applied to the workaday relations between master and man in the antipodes."

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Tea.—The market continues strong for Indians and Ceylons. Sales covered 250 c.o.ps. at /10½ to 1/, 150 Ceylons /7½ to /9, 200 Ceylons /9½ to 1/, and 200 Indians /7½ to /9½. Cable advices are to the effect that only about half the usual quantity is coming forward from Colombo.

Groceries.—The reduction of half in the duty on tinned fish is not likely to ease the prices of salmon or sardines in the face of the scarcity in these lines. The tendency of salmon is rather to higher levels, a sale of Karluk Horseshoe talls being reported at 7/4½. There might be a little easing in herrings and the like, but inasmuch as they may have stronger immediate demand, in view of the scarcity of salmon, and genuine sardines, holders do not expect that prices will alter much. Moir's kippered were quoted at 6/9, fresh 5/9, with tomatoes 6/9. Morton's herrings and tomatoes were worth 6/7½. Tinned fruits were very firm, and in view of the indifferent fruit season the expectation is that the new year will see some advance. Business was reported in assorted fruits at 7/6 per dozen, and apricots at 8/, peaches and pears at 3/6, for well-known brands. The market for rock salt continued very bare on spot, and holders were now demanding up to 70/ for Redrock, though quotations to arrive were on the basis of 45/. One hundred dozen of Bovril sold in one line at 8/6, and 100 cases of new Amalia currants at /5¼. Rangoon rice was very firm, having lately improved in producing centres by 10/ per ton, and tapiocas from 15/ to 17/6. Peppers were also a trifle higher on the other side.

Oils.—Linseed continued in demand, but buyers were loth to pay the prices which a bare market puts holders in a position to demand. Quotations stood at 3/7½ for B. and S.'s raw, while boiled was procurable at 3/9. For large parcels these prices might be shaded. China oil was very sluggish, and was quoted down to 3/6. Castor was quiet at 3/3½ to 3/4. Other lines were unaltered.

Metals.—Business was quiet. German black fencing wire sold in truckloads on the basis of £8/12/6 and £9/2/6 for Nos. 8 and 10 respectively. Netting had small inquiry.

Jute.—A few little lots of country-bought sacks were offering in the market at 5/6 and 5/7; and while, in the present circumstances of the season, this is to be expected, it is perhaps doubtful wisdom on the part of country buyers, who are in a position to hold through till next year, to quit their goods at too big a sacrifice at the present time. Two or three orders were on the market yesterday from Melbourne for parcels, but the price offered, 5/8, was below what the few holders who are in a position to sell quantities thought a fair thing. Some buying is possible on a basis of 5/9¼, although more would have to be paid for a large line. Branbags were firmer, and sold at 5/4. Woolpacks sold at 2/8 and 2/10, also at 2/8½ and 2/10½.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 7095 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

BREADSTUFFS.

No change was manifest in the position of wheat. Although some transactions of importance were pending, no sales of consequence were disclosed which would define the market. The prevailing tone was one of indecision, and actual business might have struck a level anywhere between 5/9 and 6/, with the probabilities leaning more to the higher figure. Prospects for the moment have taken on a brighter aspect in the other States, but in New South Wales the grasshopper plague becomes a matter of increasing complaint from the districts where the dry weather had done least harm.

Flour is very firm at late rates, with perhaps more closing up to the £12 level.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 203 tons of wheat and 58 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

WHEAT AFLOAT.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

Shipments afloat to-day, a week ago, and a year ago compare:—

	A year ago.	A week ago.	To-day.
	Qrs.	Qrs.	Qrs.
For United Kingdom	1,600,000	2,050,000	2,035,000
For Continent	2,120,000	1,965,000	1,925,000

AMERICAN WHEAT SHIPMENTS.

The wheat and flour shipped from the Atlantic coast of America during the past week aggregate 317,000qrs, against 438,000qrs a week ago, and 316,000qrs during the corresponding week of last year. The Pacific shipments were 80,000qrs, against 22,000qrs a week ago, and 24,000qrs a year ago.

METALS.

Closing quotations are:—

Copper, spot, b £64, s £64/5—a rise of £2.

Electrolytic copper, £67—a rise of £4 10s.

Tin, spot, b £149/5/, s £149/15/; three months, b £150/10/, s £151—a fall of 10/ on spot, but a rise of 15/ forward.

Lead, b £18/7/6, s £18/10—a rise of about 2/6.

SILVER.

Oct. 29.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 2/3¾ per ounce standard.

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

There was no alteration in the wheat market. Buyers offered 5/2 for farmers' lots, while parcels were held for some pence more. In view of the fine rain which covered the whole of the agricultural areas on Tuesday night there was a disposition to do business. The downfall will revive late crops, and appreciably improve the harvest prospects. Flour was quoted at £12, steady. Bran and pollard sold at 1/7.

FAT STOCK SALES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Elder, Smith, and Co. report:—At the stock sales to-day there were 600 cattle yarded, including 530 from the north and 70 local. Prices were the lowest recorded for a considerable period. Graziers bought 50, whilst 100 were withdrawn for other markets. Prime beef made 22/6. We sold 80 cattle. Sheep had 9000 yarded. Trade was dull, and values were 1/ easier. Graziers took 2800. Quotations were:—Prime merino wethers, 13/ to 15/, extra weighty 17/.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Little business was done, the same conditions as yesterday operating to keep trade dull. Maize remained where it was—on the wharfs—buyers being unwilling to pay £1 a bag for it at the month-end. Lucerne hay was almost nominal, scanty reserved lots only remaining on the wharf. The prime redskin variety of potato found itself in the same case, medium and darkskin lots only being offered. A very little Tasmanian derrick straw was available at from 4/5 to 4/10, and a little Melbourne at 4/ was also upon the market, but practically these lines were nominal also. Blue peas were lightly stocked and in fair demand, the scarcity of other lines hardening the market a little.

In spite of the slump in railway onions, the market for imported bulbs remained at £10.

The market for firewood was easier, and prices have fallen a little, especially in the interior classes of bakers' wood.

Current quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL MARKET.

Barley.—Victorian: Nominal.

Maize.—Prime yellow, 5/; white, to 4/11. At auction: 5/ bus.

Peas.—Blue, 5/3; grey, 4/10 to 5/ bus.

Chickwheat.—Nominal. At auction: 5/2½ to 5/3 bus.

Oats.—Melbourne: Algerian, heavy milling, 3/6 to 3/8. Tasmanian: White, 3/7 to 3/8 bus.

Bran.—1/9; pollard, 1/9 bus.

Chaff.—Victorian: Prime, £6/10/ to £6/12/6. Adelaide: £6/10/ to £6/15/. At auction: Prime £6/5/ to £6/10/, medium £5/15/ to £5/18/8; straw, £4/3/4 ton.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian: Nominal. Adelaide: Nominal. At auction: Prime, £7 ton.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian: Nominal. Melbourne: Nominal.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime dry green, £6/10/ to £6/15/; soft from £5/10/ ton. At auction: Prime, £5/6/8 to £6/10/ ton.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Prime redskins, nominal, medium £5/10/; darkskins, £6 to £6/5/. Local: At auction, good £4/10/ to £5, medium £3/13/4 to £4/3/4 ton.

Onions.—Victorian: £10 ton. Local, at auction, £3/10/ to £5/3/4 ton.

Turnips.—Tasmanian: Nominal. Local, at auction, inferior £2 ton.

FIREWOOD.

Best box, 14/ to 15/6, good 12/6 to 13/6; ironbark, 10/6 to 12/6; stringybark, 10/ to 12/; bakers wood, prime 12/ to 13/, good 10/ to 12/, rough 7/ to 9/ ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Trade was very restricted, even more so than is usual at month-ends. In some quarters, egg supplies being very heavy and hard to move, cut rates were accepted, /8½ being taken for railways and /9½ for new-laid; but the ruling rates remained about the same. A large number of Brisbane eggs are said to have come into the market, and to have had a weakening effect on the prices of northerns.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Special flavoured brands 108/, choice 102/ to 106/, seconds 86/ to 90/; ex cold store from 84/ cwt, according to quality.

Bacon.—Prime factory, sides /9 to /9½, flitches /8½ to /9, middles /10½ to /10½; special brands, sides /9½, flitches /9¼, middles /10½. Hams: In cloth, /11, special brands /11½ to /13½, bagged /12½ to /13, special brands /14½ to /14½ lb.

Honey.—60lb tins, extra choice extracted, /3½ to /3¾, prime /2½ to /3, good /2¼, inferior and candied /2.

Beeswax.—Bright, 1/3½ to 1/4, dark 1/3 to 1/3 lb.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf, /8½ to /9, good /8½ to /8¾, prime large /8¼ to /8½, good /8 to /8¼, inferior nominal; special brands, /9 to /9½ lb.

Lard.—Packets and small bladders /6, special /6½ to /6¾, bulk /5 to /5¾, special /5½ lb.

Eggs.—Northern River, /8 to /8½; Southern and railway, /8½ to /9; new-laid suburban, /9½ to /10; duck, new-laid, /10 to /10½ doz.

POULTRY.

River.—Old hens, 2/ to 2/6; young roosters, 4/ to 5/; English ducks, 2/9 to 3/6; Muscovy, 3/3 to 4/; drakes, 5/ to 5/6; geese, 6/ to 7/; turkeys, hens 7/ to 8/; gobblers, 12/ to 14/, extra heavy to 18/; guinea-fowls, 4/ to 4/6 pair.

Suburban.—Fowls, young roosters, 4/ to 7/, very small kinds from 2/, old hens 2/ to 2/10; ducks, English, 3/6 to 4/, choice to 5/; Muscovy, 3/6 to 4/6, choice 5/; drakes, 4/6 to 6/, choice 7/; turkeys, hens 7/ to 9/6, choice 10/, small from 4/6; gobblers, choice 18/, prime 11/ to 16/, inferior from 8/; geese, 6/ to 7/; guineafowls, 4/ to 4/6; pigeons, 1/3 to 1/6 pair.

AUCTION SALES.

Buyers attended in good numbers at the Railway yards, when 45 lots of mixed produce were submitted to the trade. It was not a very satisfactory sale, auctioneers in several cases demanding much more than the trade were prepared to pay. As a natural corollary 19 lots were passed in. Chaff sold at slightly better rates than on the previous day. Prime realised 6/3 to 6/6, medium from 5/9 to 5/10, straw chaff 4/3. Of the nine lots offered six moved. Lucerne hay showed slightly weaker. Prime Mudgee bales brought 6/4 to 6/6. One prime lot of oaten hay realised £7 per ton, being the highest price obtained this season. A truckload of meadow hay passed in at 4/2. Derrick straw from Wellington failed to bring the late prices, so consignees passed. Wheat sold rather better, good chick bringing 5/2½ and 5/3. Maize looks like falling. Two lots passed, the trade not offering near the late rates. Some poor quality turnips from the Hawkesbury made only 2/. Some dozen lots of potatoes came to hand, but the quality was not nearly up to that of a fortnight ago. Of the 12 only four were disposed of. Good brought 4/8 to 5/, medium 3/8 to 4/2. A big surprise was the decided slump in onions, which dropped about £5 per ton. Prime only brought 4/4 to 5/2, medium 3/6 to 4/2. They were a new lot from Wellington, and some were rather soft.

Detailed particulars of sale follow:—

Chaff.—Ex Wellington, (13078) 6/6; A. Emms, Lyndhurst, (11880) p 4/2; Little, Ben Lomond, (9722) 5/10; Smith, Cowra, (4889) p 3/8; D. Murphy, Kelso, (12387) p 5/9; Turner and Co., Orookwell, (8681) 4/; ex Dubbo, (19) *6/6; R. M. Smith, Wellington, (9755) 5/9, (11886) 5/9 cwt.

Lucerne Hay.—From A. E. Tomkins, Mudgee, (2425) p 6/5, *6/6; J. Kennedy, (2880) p 6/; R. Keech, (6121) 6/4; Cox, (4885) p 6/1; ex Kelso, (9889) p 4/8; J. Byrne, Mudgee, (7365) p 6/6, *6/6; C. Mogg, (5791) 6/6 cwt.

Oaten Hay.—From P. Ryan, Newbridge, (2880) 7/ cwt.

Meadow Hay.—From A. E. M'Kenzie, Wamboot, (4677) p 4/2 cwt.

Derrick Straw.—Ex Maryvale, (12108) p 3/5, (8173) p 3/5 cwt.

Maize.—Ex Wallangarra, (11432) p 4/11; ex Glen Innes, (9682) p 4/10½ bus.

Wheat.—Ex Manilla, (9702) p 5/2, *5/3; Stoddart, (979) 52 bags C, 5/3½ bus.

Onions.—From Ah Bon, Wellington, (2804) 5/2; ex Wellington, (252) p 4/3, (8280) brown 2/6, silver 3/6; Hop Lee, (8885) 4/4, (2894) 4/7, (12246) p 4/2; Sol Levy, (8582) 4/; A. Wilkins, (8845) silvers 4/2, browns p 3/9 cwt.

Potatoes.—Ex Kelso, (5466) no bid; ex Millthorpe, (12265) p 4/3; Martin, Goulburn, (9885) p 4/8; M'Donald, M'Alister's Siding, (3878) 72 bags 4/2, 34 bags 3/8; ex Tarana, (9826) 4/6, (3265) p 4/5; ex Sodwalls, (73) 5/; Burke, Mandurama, (3602) p 3/8; Jones, Wallerawang, (7128) p 4/4; ticket missing, (4882) p 4/2; ex Black Mountain, (2863) p 4/5, *4/6; R. Hill, (4168) p 4/5 cwt.

Turnips.—From T. Lee, Richmond, (7059) 2/ cwt.

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FRUIT MARKETS.

BATHURST-STREET.

No alterations were reported in values.

Current quotations were:—

Passionfruit.—Choice 6/6 to 7/, good 4/6 to 5/, small 1/6 to 2/6 box.

Pineapples.—Queensland: From 5/ to 8/ case.

Tomatoes.—Queensland: Choice 5/ to 6/, others 2/ to 4/ quarter-case.

Peanuts.—/5½ lb.

Cocoanuts.—11/6 to 12/ bag.

Oranges.—Choice 8/ to 10/, good 4/ to 6/, small 1/ to 2/; Navel, extra choice 18/ to /20, choice 14/ to 15/, good 8/ to /10 case.

Mandarins.—Emperor, extra choice 12/ to /14, choice 8/ to 10/, medium 4/ to 5/, small 1/6 to 2/6 single-case; Thorneys, choice 3/6, others from 2/ half-case.

Apples.—American: 10/ to 15/. Tasmanian: S.P.M., extra choice to 15/6, choice 9/6 to 10/6, medium 5/6 to 7/6, small 3/6 to 5/6 bushel-case; Sturmers, choice 8/6 to 9/6, medium 6/ to 7/, small 3/ to 3/6. Cooking: French Crabs, 7/ to 9/ bushel-case.

Cucumbers.—Queensland: Choice 7/ to 8/6, others 5/ to 6/ packer.

Bananas.—G.M., 15/6 to 16/ case, 4/ to 10/ bunch. Chinese: 14/6 to 15/ case, 3/6 to 6/6 bunch.

BELMORE MARKETS.

FRUIT.

In spite of the arrival of a shipment of North Queensland pineapples, there is a shortage in the supply, and all lines are dearer. Queen pines sold up to 10/ per case, commons 6/ to 7/ for small, and 8/ to 10/ for large. The new Northerns brought 6/ to 9/ per case. Cherries are improving in supply, and 7/ to 8/ per 12lb box was paid for Thirimere lines. Oranges are dearer by about 1/ per case all round. Lemons are still in strong demand. Mandarins are dearer and scarcer.

Current quotations are as follow:—

Pineapples.—Common, 6/ to 7/, choice 8/ to 10/; Queen, up to 10/ case; North Queensland, 6/ to 9/.

Passionfruit.—Extra choice, 8/, choice 7/, medium to good 4/ to 6/ half-case.

Cucumbers.—8/, 9/6 case.

Tomatoes.—Choice 6/, medium 4/6, 5/ quarter-case.

Bananas.—Queensland: No supply. Fiji: 14/, G.M., 15/, double-case 15/. Sugar: Few at 11/ to 12/.

Mandarins.—Thorny, small 1/6 to 2/6, choice, 3/, 4/6 box, 8/ to 7/ single-case, choice 8/ to 11/. Emperors, 6/, 6/ single-case, choice 7/ to 11/, extra choice 14/.

Apples.—Tasmanian: F.C., extra choice 9/, 11/, choice 7/6, 8/6, medium 4/6 to 5/ bushel-case; S.P.M., extra choice to 15/, choice 8/ to 11/, medium 5/ to 7/; S.T.P., extra choice to 11/, choice 7/ to 9/, medium 4/ to 5/; American Rome Beauties, 15/, 16/; English Streaks, 12/, 13/; Yankee Gravensteins, 12/6, 13/ case.

Cocoanuts.—2/ doz, 10/ to 11/ bag.

Loquats.—2/ to 4/6; Mammoth, 7/ to 9/.

Lemons.—Choice 5/6, medium 4/.

Cherries.—Local 7/ to 8/ per 12lb-box.

Strawberries.—Queensland: Done. Locals: /6 to 1/6 per punnet; choice, 4-quart boxes 5/ to 8/.

Oranges.—Local: Choice 7/6 to 11/, small 8/, medium 4/6 to 7/; Navel, 14/ to 20/, medium 6/6 to 8/6; Seville, choice 2/6 case, rough unsaleable.

VEGETABLES.

Increased supplies of cabbages resulted in a further weakening of that line. A few large samples brought 5/, but 4/6 per dozen was the average price for good. Cauliflowers were very scarce indeed, a fair demand early in the morning accounting for the whole of a small supply. All bunch lines were a shade dearer, carrots bringing 1/9, and turnips 2/. Spinach sold at 1/ per dozen. Business generally was very fair.

Latest wholesale prices are as follow:—

Cabbages, large 5/, medium 4/, 4/6, small 2/6; cauliflowers, large 7/6, 8/, medium 6/, smaller 2/6, 3/, inferior 1/6, 2/; pumpkins, extra large 12/, 15/, large 8/6, 9/, medium 6/, 6/6, small 2/, 2/6; carrots, 1/3, 1/9; parsnips, 1/6, 2/; turnips, to 2/; beet, /9, 1/, 1/6; leeks, 1/; eschalots, 1/, 1/3; spinach, /9, 1/; parsley, /10, 1/; herbs, /9; mint, 1/; watercress, 8/; rhubarb, large 2/9, small 1/6, 2/; celery, 2/, 2/9; radishes, /9, 1/ doz bunches; potatoes, Circular Head, 7/6, sweet 8/; kidney, 12/; onions, 18/; swede turnips, 8/ cwt; French beans, 6/, inferior 2/6, 3/; green peas, 4/6, 5/, inferior 2/, 1/6; tomatoes, local 4/, 4/6 per quarter-case, Queensland 4/6 per half-case; horseradish, 7/ doz bunches; asparagus, 7/; broad beans, 3/; cucumbers, large 4/, small 2/, 2/6; lettuce, 1/, 1/6, small /9; vegetable marrow, large 6/, small 3/6.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

At to-day's fat stock sales to be held at Homebush the offerings will be 1193 cattle and 43,000 sheep.

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

For the sale of November 4, 482 sheep vans and 128 cattle waggons; for November 7, 411 and 145.

CITY YARDS.

This week's supply was again very heavy, 458 head being yarded, and was made up of all descriptions, a great many being only medium quality. Buyers were in usual attendance, and competition for all classes was dull, and values ruled low at late rates. Extra prime yearlings (none offering), good 50/ to 65/, medium from 40/; extra prime vealers from 80/ to 85/, good and heavy 60/ to 50/, medium 30/ to 40/, and rough sorts from 20/. Poddies and small young calves from 5/ to 24/, according to size and quality.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Schute, Bell, and Co., and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report:—

Fur Skins.—Kangaroo and wallaroo were unchanged, while wallaby ruled lower, especially swamps. Bear advanced /3 each. Rabbitskins received strong support at unchanged prices. Opossumskins: 25,000 were offered. A brisk demand prevailed at decidedly higher values. Quotations:—Grey kangaroo, large /45 to /54½ each, medium /18 to /43, small /5 to /16½; red kangaroo, large /40 to /75½, medium /16 to /29, small /5 to /15; wallaroo, large /32 to /40½, medium /16 to /31, small /4 to /14; wallaby, scrub, large /14 to /25½, medium /4 to /13, small /1 to /3; wallaby, swamp, large /14 to /26, medium /4 to /13, small /1 to /3; wallaby, rock, /1 to /9; goats, best /25 to /28, seconds /3 to /21; bears, best /21 to /29½, seconds /6 to /21; rabbits, first /10 to /12½ per lb, medium /6 to /9, small and inferior /3 to /6, does to /5¼.

Opossumskins.—Quotations:—Grey, super 20/ to 22/6 per doz, first 16/ to 19/, second 11/ to 15, third 7/ to 10/6; rumped, top 8/ to 9/9, first 6/ to 7/9, second 4/ to 5/9; torn and weevily, 2/ to 6/6; red, super 17/ to 20/6, first 14/ to 16/6, second 10/ to 13/6, third 6/ to 9/6; black, first 30/ to 40/, medium 20/ to 28/6, inferior 5/ to 15/.

Leather.—Sales were held yesterday by Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.; Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.; and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd. The market ruled dull for all descriptions. Quotations:—Cow tweed, /16 to /17 per lb (/5 to /5½ per ft); yearling tweed, /17 to /18; calf tweed, /18 to /20; waxed yearling, /16 to /20; waxed calf, /23 to /30; kip, best light /14 to /15, heavy /13 to /14, damaged /11 to /12½; dressed splits, light /9 to /11, medium /8 to /9, rough — to /7½; bends, /17 to /22; sole, heavy /12 to /16, medium /10 to /11, light /10 to /11, damaged /6½ to /10; harness, brown /12 to /14½, black /12 to /16½; bridle, 13/ to 15/ per side; bag, /11 to 14/ per dozen; basils, saddlers' 18/ to 26/, 1 shoe 17/ to 21/, 2 shoe 10/ to 15/, 3 shoe 5/ to 10/; collars 14/ to 25/; basils, pieces, /6½ to /8½.

SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

Sales were held yesterday at the Sydney Wool Exchange, Bridge-street, when the quantity catalogued totalled 9620 bales, and the sales, including private transactions, amounted to 9037 bales, as under:—

Broker.	Offerings.	At Auction.	Privately ex Catalogue.	Privately Uncatalogued.	Total Sales.
Dalgety and Co., Ltd.	5,560	4,940	311	107	5,358
Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd.	4,060	3,600	40	39	3,679
Totals	9,620	8,540	351	146	9,037

The market was very animated, with prices for super sorts at the best point of the season, and a general tendency in sellers' favour for all light-conditioned free wools. Some high averages were made and very satisfactory clearances effected.

Dalgety and Co., Ltd., submitted a catalogue the selection in which was almost entirely composed of greasies, including several important clips in very good condition, together with a number of small lots of medium to good character, the whole forming a representative selection. The Jerilderie district was specially well represented by the NOW (507 bales), Gum Swamp (465), and Moombria (471) clips, the latter being offered in this market for the first time. In the grease the highest price was /16¼, paid for 9 sup com and 8 1st com of D (rev) M con/Kayuga (Scone), 5 sup com making /14½, 9 sup com at /14, 32 1st com /13¼, 41 1st com /13, 155 1st com /12¼, 11 1st at 12½d. This was a deep-grown wool of super quality, sound, dry, and in bright condition. Among other notable realisations were the following:—Walla Wallah (Forbes), 11 A xb at /13¼, 4 B xb at /12, 9 at /12¼, 4 at /12, 5 A e at /12¼, good length, fine, dry, free; Mooreslands (Moree), 27 AA at /13, 11 A h at /12¼d, 7 1st e at /12¼, 13 A at /12, 10 1st pcs at /12¼, good length, fine, dry; Gum Swamp (Jerilderie), 16 sup at /14¼, 53 sup and 1st at /13½, 21 2nd com at /12¼, good length and quality, sound, bright, well nourished; McG and T/Warraweena/MD (Brewarrina), 121 A h w e at /12¼, 30 bkn at /12½, 9 B h w e at /12, good length, portion deep grown, useful quality, dry; NOW (Jerilderie), 6 sup at /13¼, 33 sup at /13, 9 sup at /12¼, 10 h w e at /12, very fair length, good quality, bright; Taylor Bros./Nangeribone (Nymagee), 15 1st com at /13½d, 26 1st com at /12¼, 23 at /12¼, 18 clo at /12, 6 xb at /13, 10 xb lbs at /12, deep grown, fine, dry, soft; Moombria (Deniliquin), 6 sup com at /13¼, 48 1st at /12¼, 19 at /10½, 23 necks at /11¼, deep grown, good quality and character, generous condition; Carter/Muttama (Bongalong Siding), 18 A h at /13, 9 AA h at /13¼, 12 A com at /12¼, fair length, dry, bright, light; Nombi/Gunnedah, 17 AA com at /11¼, 4 AA clo at /10¼, 15 com and clo at /10, deep grown, useful quality, dry, burry; PHO/Orange Plains (Dandaloo), 24 1st com at /12¼, 26 A com at /12¼, 11 1st com at /12, fair length, fine, free; T. Edols and Co., Ltd. (Forbes), 38 2nd at /12¼, 23 2nd at /12, 78 3rd at /12¼, good length, fine, dry, free; Osborne Bros/Kilfera (Ivanhoe), 6 1st com at /11¼, 11 2nd com at /10¼, 8 1st clo at /10¼, very fair to good length, sound, free; B&N/Yass, 45 1st w at /11¼, 20 1st at /11, 14 2nd at /10¼, fair length, fine, free; EB/Elmswood (Scone), 4 1st at /13¼, 4 A com at /12, 11 2nd at /11¼, good length, and quality, sound, seedy; Werribri (Boggabri), 9 A e at /12¼, 5 A e at /11¼, 13 necks at /11¼, good length and quality, sound; Minchinbury/Vineyard/JA&S/Rooty Hill, NSW, 10 e at /14¼, 4 at /12½, fair length and quality, dry, free; AT/Bush Park (Hay), 27 h w e at /12¼, 8 pcs at /10¼, 9 cbk at /12¼, 9 Shropshire at /11¼, good length and quality, bright, touched with burr; PHO/Conapaira (Whitton), 13 1st com at /12, 12 1st clo at /11¼, fair length, fine, soft, dry.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., offered a very good selection of wools in the grease, with a fair proportion of short and burry lines. In the grease a record clearance was made of the Wantabadgery/D. McD. Bros/1907 clip, from Wagga, a remarkably high average being obtained. The extra super clo made to 16d for 6 bales, whilst 16 super sold at /15¼, 4 A com at /15¼, 20 1st com at /14¼, 7 2nd com at /14¼, 18 at /13¼, and 112 at /14, many other lines bringing from /12 to /13¼. This was a very attractive wool, of fine quality, a little short in staple, very bright, soft, and light. Other sales of note were:—WGB/Goburra (Dubbo), 14 A e at /13¼, 18 h at /12¼, good quality, fair staple, soft, fairly light, a little seed; TB/Glen Orton (Warialda), 9 A h at /12¼, 6 AA h at /12¼, good quality and staple, rather dusty, a little seed; Branston/BB (Dubbo), 7 e at /13, fine quality, rather tender in staple, in light condition; DM/YC (Dubbo), 13 h at /13¼, 9 h s at /12, good quality and staple, bright, soft, fairly light, few burrs; Maninia/Lachlan (Cowra), 52 1st com h w e at /12½, 14 1st com at /12½, 27 clo at /12½, good quality and staple, soft, fairly light; CW/— (Marsdens), 21 e at /12¼, 16 b w e at /12, good quality, fair staple, soft, fairly light, free; H. and H./Beemba (Coonamble), 7 1st com e at /11¼, 8 2nd com e at /10, good quality, fair staple, rather dusty and burry; TPM/Avondale (Condobolin), 16 h e at /11¼, 11 w h at /11, good quality and staple, soft, light, a little seedy and burry; Bodangora (Wellington), 27 super com at /12½, 6 bkn at /11¼, well grown, good quality and staple, soft, nice condition; TJF/Bundella (Quirindi), 30 1st com at /13, 14 at /12¼, 17 at /12, good quality, fairly light, bright, few burrs; JB/Coobang (Parkes), 9 1st com e at /12¼, nice quality, good staple, rather dusty and burry; A in dia (Urana), 37 1st at /12, 22 1st at /11¼, good quality, fair staple and condition, rather burry and dusty; Maryvale (Nyngan), 19 AAA e at /11¼, 11 AA e at /10¼, nice quality, rather short in staple, and earthy; Robson/Nundle, 35 h w at /12¼, 14 e at /12¼, 20 pcs /11¼, good quality and staple, soft, bright, fairly light; AB/Scone, 5 AA h at /12¼, 14 AA com w at /12¼, 7 AA com at /12¼, good quality and staple, soft, and light, few burrs; MM/C (Coolac), 11 AAA e at /13¼, 7 AA e at /13d, 13 h at /13, 7 A e at /12, fine, fair staple, bright; GN/B (Blandford), 8 1st at /14, 17 1st at /13¼, 8 2nd at /12¼, 14 pcs at /12¼, well grown, good quality and staple, soft, light, free; Crown/Yalgoorin (Narrandera), 29 A w at /12¼, 28 A e at /12¼, 11 A w h e at /12¼, good quality, rather tender, earthy, free.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Though cables received yesterday morning announced a further improvement of £2/10/ per ton in copper, and £1 in tin, with a decline of 2/6 per ton in lead, the quotations of the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday for Australian silver, copper, and tin shares did not indicate the least buoyancy on the part of buyers.

Doubtless, the fact that the Bank of England raised the bank rate to 6 per cent. two days before the usual time for an alteration in the rate, has had a restrictive effect upon speculation. This rise, together with the export of specie to New York, in connection with the recent panic in Wall-street, has undoubtedly made money dearer in London, and accounts for the share market, especially for copper and tin shares, not responding to the improved price of those metals.

A feeling prevails locally, that the effect of dearer money in the London Stock Exchange is likely to have a restraining influence on market operations, and that this restriction will be reflected on the Commonwealth Stock Exchanges, with the possibility of postponing a recovery in share values for some time to come.

These views may be held to account for the fact that, whilst the prices of copper and silver stocks held fairly steady this morning, the amount of business transacted was not large. In copper stocks, Hampdens eased from 11/ to 10/6, Mount Elliotts from 58/ to 57/3; Chillagoes from 5/6 to 5/5, and M'Gregors from 5/ to 4/6, and Budgery Mines, paid, to 4/3; but this was counterbalanced by an advance in Lloyd Copper from 6/3 to 6/6; O.K. Copper from 6/3 to 6/4, Mount Molloys from 9/6 to 11/, and Wallaroo and Moonta from 37/ to 38/.

Fair offers were made for Grafton copper mine, North Nymagee, and Lobb's Hole, whilst Mount Cannindahs and Queen Bee and Mount Morgans were unobtainable at an advance on late sales.

In the silver section, though the business recorded was on a limited scale, yet the prices realised showed the existence of a healthy tone, notwithstanding the decline of 2/6 per ton in lead. B.H. Junction North commanded support from 21/4½ to 21/10½; a buyer of B.H. Souths, paid, booked a sale at 91/, on one month's terms, as against the previous ordinary sale at 85/3; the contributing scrip, however, sold at 80/, or /6 down from Tuesday. B.H. Proprietary held firm at 60/, a fractional rise. Firm offers for British Broken Hill (old), B.H. Block 10, B.H. Block 14, pref., and B.H. South Blocks, the latter at an advanced rate, failed to draw sellers. It will be seen from the above, therefore, that the silver market was sound, if quiet.

The fact that the 490 ton crushing of the Mount David did not come up to 20dwt per ton—the battery yield was 456oz, equal to a little over 18dwt 14gr per ton—had the effect of bringing a lot of sellers into the market, especially those who had bought when the stock was low. Before the crushing was posted in the vestibule, sanguine supporters of the mine bought up to 5/2, but after the yield was posted sales were booked down to 4/8. Baker's Creek shares eased from 6/9 to 6/3; whilst Great Northerns (Gympie) improved from 6/ to 6/10, on the strength of a favourable report respecting the prospects of the mine. Tin scrip was absolutely neglected.

What is going to happen in the London Stock Exchange to-day, it is impossible to say with certainty, but it looks as if the market will be depressed. In the first place, it is settling day, and in the next, there may be a further hardening of the bank rate on loans. Late yesterday afternoon, the following significant cable message came to hand from London:—"Australian stocks have been higher, but closed flat, in sympathy with other markets (New York) and dear money. Rise in Bank of England rate expected this week. General uneasiness pending settlement to-morrow." Does this mean that another rise in the bank rate is expected on top of the one already made to 5 per cent.?

Evidently the local market gleaned something of the uneasy feeling prevailing in London, for the afternoon saw very little attempt to do business, except to meet pressing buying or selling orders. In silver stocks, B.H. Junction North sold up to 22/, and B.H. Souths (contg) at 80/, whilst B.H. Block 14 (pref.) eased /3. In copper shares, Mount Molloys sold at 11/, Wallaroo and Monta at 37/, O.Ks. at 6/5 and 6/4, "Lloyd" Copper at 6/7, Hampdens at 10/6, and Budgery Mines (paid) at 4/2½. Tin scrip was almost neglected, the only sale recorded being in Gilmore Tin, which receded /3. In gold stocks, Mount Davids changed hands freely between 4/8, 4/9, and 4/8.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s. d.	Sellers. £ s. d.
COPPER.		
Budgery Mines	0 4 0	0 4 6
Ditto, contributing	—	0 6 6
Chillagoe	0 5 1	0 5 5
Crowl Creek, Shuttleton	—	0 0 6
Girilambone Mining	0 0 4	—
Grafton	1 6 0	—
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 10 3½	0 10 6
Lloyd Copper	0 6 0	0 6 8
Lobb's Hole	0 4 6	0 10 0
Ditto, contributing	0 5 0	0 5 6
M'Gregor-Cloncurry, paid	0 4 3	0 4 8
Mount Boppy, paid	—	0 4 0
Ditto, contributing	—	0 3 0
Mount Cannindah	0 1 1	—
Mount Cuthbert	—	0 9 9
Mount Elliott	—	2 17 6
Mount Molloy	0 10 9	0 11 0
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 7 9	0 8 7½
North Nymagee	0 1 6	—
O. K.	0 6 4	0 6 6
Queen Bee	0 9 9	—
Ditto North, contributing	0 0 3½	—
Roebourne	0 3 0	—
Wallaroo and Moonta	1 17 6	1 18 0
TIN.		
Dalziell's Tin Mines	0 1 6	—
Gilmore	0 6 8	0 6 10
Smith's Creek Proprietary	—	0 7 6
Stannary Hills	—	0 3 6
Vulcan	—	0 6 3
SILVER. New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	1 0 3	1 0 9
Broken Hill Proprietary	2 19 0	3 0 0
Ditto Block 10	3 9 0	3 10 0
Ditto Block 14	1 3 0	1 3 6
Ditto, preference	—	1 3 6
B. H. Junction	0 5 2	0 5 6
B.H. Junction North	1 2 0	1 2 6
B.H. North	2 10 3	—
B.H. South	4 8 6	4 10 0
B.H. South, contributing	4 0 0	4 0 6
B.H. South Blocks	0 17 6	—
Sulphide Corporation (ordinary)	0 10 0	—
GOLD. New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	0 6 3	0 6 5
Harden	—	1 1 0
Harden Central (paid)	—	0 3 3
Ditto, contributing	—	0 1 3
Harden West	0 1 10	—
Ditto, contributing	—	0 0 6
Mount David	0 4 8½	0 4 9
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 0 6	0 0 9
Occidental	—	0 7 0
Sunlight	0 1 2	0 1 4
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	—	0 4 0
Araluen Central	0 4 6	—
Ditto, contributing	0 3 6	0 4 6
Associated Gold Dredging	0 4 10	—
New Wylie Creek	—	0 6 0
Ovens Valley	0 5 0	—
Reform Tin (paid)	—	0 4 0
Tingha Tin	—	0 7 0
Turon River	0 7 0	0 9 0
Queensland. Charters Towers, etc.		
Clark's Brilliant Worcester, etc.	—	0 0 4
Kelly's Queen Block	—	0 2 6
Mount Morgan	3 8 0	—
Ruby	0 1 9	—
Victory	0 1 3	0 1 6
Gympie.		
Great Northern, contributing	0 6 0	0 7 6
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	—	0 1 4
North Smithfield	—	0 7 0
South Glanmire and Monkland	0 1 8	0 2 0
South Great Eastern, No. 2	—	0 4 8
South Oriental and Glanmire, No. 1	—	0 1 0
Western Australia.		
Associated	0 15 0	—
Chaffer's	0 0 6	0 0 7
Great Boulder	—	1 4 6
Ditto, No. 1	—	0 4 6
Ditto, Perseverance	—	0 6 9
Hainault	—	0 1 0
Queensland Menzies	—	0 0 6
Queen Margaret	0 2 3	—

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Hampden, 11/, 10/9, 10/6; "Lloyd" Copper, 6/6; O.K. Copper, 6/4; Mount Molloy, 11/; Wallaroo and Moonta, 38/6, 38/; Mount Elliott, 57/3; Budgery Mines, paid, 4/3; Chillagoe, contg, 5/5; M'Gregor, 4/6.

Silver.—B.H. Junction North, 21/9, 21/10½; B.H. South, paid, terms one month, 91/; B.H. South, contg, terms one month, 80/6; ditto, ordinary, 80/; B.H. Proprietary, 60/.

Tin.—Nil.

Gold.—Baker's Creek, 6/3; Mount David, 4/8, 5/1, 5/, terms one month 4/9, ordinary 4/8, 4/9, 4/10, terms one month 4/9, ordinary 4/8, terms one month 4/8, ordinary 4/8; Great Northern (Gympie), 4/10.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—Mount Molloy, terms six weeks, 11/; Wallaroo and Moonta, terms six weeks 38/, ordinary 37/9, one month 38/; O.K. Copper, 6/5, terms one month 6/6, ordinary, 6/4; Lloyd's, 6/7; Budgery Mines, paid, 4/2½; Hampdens, 10/6.

Silver.—B.H. Junction North, 22/, terms three weeks 22/; B.H. South, contg., 80/, ditto, terms six weeks 80/6; B.H. Block 14, pref., 23/9.

Tin.—Gilmore Tin, 6/9.

Gold.—Mount David, 4/8, 4/9, 4/8, 4/8½, 4/8.

MINING NOTES.

The Mount Lyell Company has consigned 551 tons of blister copper for the current half-year.

The Brilliant Central Company (Charters Towers) reports a yield of gold valued at £1691, from 550 tons.

The O.K. copper mine (Q.), for the fortnight ended October 23, smelted 670 tons of ore for 64 tons of blister copper, being at the rate of 9.55 per cent.

Since the last report the Cobar Peak silver mine has despatched a 10-ton parcel of high-grade silver-lead ore to Cockle Creek from the 228ft level. Another 10-ton parcel is also being broken from the 286ft level.

The main shaft of the Brookman's United Gold-mining Company, Wyalong, is down 172ft. The erection of the winding plant is being hurried on, and will very shortly be in working order. The tank is being enlarged, in order to have a good supply of water on hand.

The Cadia Extended Copper Mining and Smelting Company, No Liability, has been formed, with a capital of £6120, in £1 shares. The first place of operations is at Little Canobolis, the first registered office will be Newcastle, and Mr. Thomas Garrett, jun., will be provisional manager.

Private cables received yesterday from London stated that on Tuesday the price of copper advanced from £61/10/ per ton to £66, and at the close of the day was saleable at £64. Tin moved from £149 to £150, but lead declined from £18/10/ to £18/7/6 per ton.

The south drive of Ranken's Canbelego Reward copper mine on October 14 was in 14ft. It is expected the lode, which left the shaft at the 87ft level, will be cut at about 40ft or 50ft. There is no change to report other than that more quartz leaders are coming in from the west.

The Mount Boppy Copper despatched to the E. and A. Copper Company, Waratah, on the 23rd instant 55 tons of 13 per cent. copper ore. A further parcel of 20 tons will be despatched to Lloyd's about the beginning of next month. The mine is looking very well in all workings.

Stone, small but poor, has been struck in the south level of the Wyalong gold mines at a distance of 88ft. The north level is in 50ft, and the stone has decreased to 8in; but the quality has improved. About 5 tons of 15dwt stone are at grass. Work has been retarded, owing to a scarcity of labour.

Our Cobar correspondent telegraphs:—"Information has just been received in town that the contractors sinking the Gladstone shaft at Wrightville at a little over 100ft have struck copper ore, carbonates, and red oxide, coming in from the west, and showing strong on the bottom. This property was recently floated in 80 shares of £20 each, fully paid up. The shaft is an old one on abandoned ground."

Unregistered shareholders in Willcocks-Cloncurry Syndicate are reminded that the list closes to-day for applications for shares in Willcock's Copper Mines, Limited. The latter will henceforth hold and work the Duck Creek group of mines and smelter. Each syndicate share entitles the holder to 70 shares in the new company, of £1 (paid up to 17/6), on payment of 3d per share. Telegraphic applications may be made.

Having taken possession of the mine at Mosquito Creek, the manager of the Fraser Gully Gold-mining Company started a cross-cut at 80ft, to intersect the reef. He is in 40ft, and is of opinion that if the lode is more at a depth it should be reached in another 30 to 40 feet. If a trial crushing of the reef proves satisfactory the battery will be moved to the mine, a distance of about three miles.

Private cables state that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday were the following:—B.H. Block 10, 70/ (m); B.H. Block 14, ordinary, b 22/; B.H. British, old, 20/6 (m); B.H. Proprietary, 56/9 (m); B.H. South, paid, b 88/; B.H. South Blocks, b 17/6; B.H. North, 53/9 (m); Mount Elliotts, 54/4½ (m); Chillagoe, contg, b 5/6, Mungana, b 8/6; Mount Lyell, 28/9 (m); Briseis, b 9/3; Great Cobar, Ltd., £5/11/3 (m); Hainault's, 17/6 (m); Kalgurli, s £8/17/6.

A new shoot of stone has been struck in the main shaft of the Wyalong New Homeward Bound Company at 396ft, but it cannot be known until it is broken down. Work has been started at the 400ft level with rock drills. A plat is being cut out, preparatory to opening out levels north and south at 400ft. The north level at 300ft is being rapidly extended with rock drills. All the north stopes are producing good ore. About 35 tons of ore are being sent to Cockle Creek this week.

The statutory meeting of the Buckland River South Extended Gold Dredging Company was held at the registered office yesterday, Mr. J. F. Capper in the chair. In accordance with the rules, the three directors retired, but were eligible for re-election. There being no other nominations they were declared duly elected. The chairman announced that owing to the good yields lately, it was decided to pay an interim dividend of sixpence per share on November 7. The final meeting of the old company of the same name was also held, at which the liquidator's accounts were presented and passed.

The Mount David crushing of 450 tons yielded 456oz, a little over 18dwt 14gr to the ton. Some 541 tons of tailings cyanided yielded 77oz 17dwt. Some of the Pitt-street miners, who have not been within 100 miles of the mine, and therefore consider themselves all the more qualified to speak authoritatively upon its ore reserves, started a rumour in the afternoon that a month's crushing would exhaust the ore "in sight." The phrase "ore in sight" is a very elastic one. Some consider it should only apply to what is overhead, and that no notice should be taken of winzes on a lode. There is just as much justification for including in the ore reserves the lode disclosed by winzes as there is for including the ore followed up in rises. The individual who started the rumour that the Mount David ore reserves will peter out in a month at the present rate of output would confer a favour on the public if he furnished the data on which he based his measurements.

MINING IN THE STATE.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

Mr. T. Broughall, owner of the Phoenix copper mine, at Wiseman's Creek, near O'Connell, says that in view of the low price of copper, he has reduced the number of hands, and has now about a dozen engaged, mainly on development work. The lode is showing encouraging prospects. Mr. Broughall says he will have to sink the main shaft another 100ft in order to work the lode. During the past 12 months he has spent over £5000, including £4000 in wages. In view of the expenditure already incurred, he thinks he is entitled to Government assistance, and is applying for aid from the prospecting vote.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

On account of the big drop in the price of copper, operations at the Little Copper Hill mine, near Molong, have been interfered with. The services of six men have been dispensed with, but three were retained to do developing work. At present there are over 42 tons of ore from this mine at the local railway station, waiting to be sent away for treatment, while 15 tons are lying at the mine also ready for despatch. Besides, there are over 200 tons on the surface, waiting to be dressed and got ready for treatment. The company who own this mine do not intend sending any of the above ore away till the price of copper advances.

Campbell and party are now working a claim lately worked by Mr. Bertie, at Bowan Park. They started last week with three men, and purpose extending the shaft to 70ft. The lode is about 2ft 6in wide, and is estimated to return 15 per cent. copper. Stone from this shaft has also assayed as high as 1oz 2dwt gold, with 10oz silver.

THE FROGMORE MINE.

GUNDAGAI, Wednesday.

The counterpart copies of the agreement for a fresh option between Mr. Francis Drake and Messrs. Channon and J. B. Dunlop for the sale of the Frogmore mine have now been exchanged. The new agreement gives Mr. Drake a six months' option from February 1, 1908. Those concerned are said to have expressed confidence that this property will prove a good one.

The development of this property, together with the satisfactory state of the Kangiara field, is looked upon locally as a matter of great importance to the district, in pressing its claims for railway connection, more especially as any such line can be brought through sound farming and grazing country. There are also around Frogmore and the Burrowa district several good smaller shows, which could be profitably worked when the larger mine gets into full swing, particularly that of Pat. Carmody, and another held by a local syndicate near Goba Creek. The Lang's Creek mine also would, no doubt, materially benefit in the event of not treating its own ores.

WELCOME STRANGER MINE.

A REVIVAL OF PROSPERITY.

WEST WYALONG, Wednesday.

The Welcome Stranger mine was, in the early days of this field, one of the show-places, and the largest cake of gold from one crushing ever exhibited on the field, weighing over 1300oz, was produced from this mine. The gold came easily, and most of it went in the same style. Thus, when hard country and barren stone were met, the shareholders, with one exception, had not the means to face the trouble, and the ground after a time became practically abandoned. One of the old shareholders, Mr. David M'Cracken, and a few others kept giving the ground prospecting trials at intervals for five or six years. One of the latter, named Griffiths, stuck to the work under conditions which would have discouraged any man not possessed of dogged pluck and firm faith in the ground.

Several small crushings have been obtained, and now the stone is in a well-defined channel, the reef averaging about 8in, and the level is only 300ft from the surface. The following are the returns from a parcel sent to Cockle Creek works, viz., six tons firsts for an average of 13oz 1dwt per ton, and 26 tons seconds, averaging 2oz 14dwt per ton. The Welcome Stranger lies between the Homeward Bound property and the Barrier mine, two of the leading gold producers of the field at present, and are each still untried below about 400ft.

BROKEN HILL MINES.

MILL RETURNS FOR THE WEEK.

BROKEN HILL, Tuesday.

The milling operations of the Broken Hill mines last week are shown in the subjoined table:—

Company.	Ore Treated.	Concentrates.	Lead.	Assay Value, Silver.	Assay Value, Zinc.
	Tons	Tons	P.C.	Oz.	P.C.
Junction North	1208	220	58.8	28.7	8.5
B. H. North	2200	285	60.6	20.0	5.0
Central	3714	563	56.1	21.0	10.4
South Blocks	1931	368	60.2	8.6	8¼
British B. H.	2247	382	61.2	26.4	9¼
B. H. South	3946	—	72.6	18.8	5.8
B. H. Block 14	1757	218	60.1	28.8	5.0
B. H. Junction	1500	170	59.3	23	3.2

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day quotations were:—

Gold: Associated, 15/6, b 15/6, s 15/9; Northern, 14/6, 14/7½, b 14/6, s 14/7½; Cumberland, b 5/, s 5/4; Boulder, 23/9, b 23/9, s 23/10½; Golden Pole, 1/4½, b 1/4, s 1/5; Golden Ridge, 39/6; Great Ophir, 2/10, 2/10½, 2/10, b 2/9, s 2/10; Mararoa, 12/, b 11/9, s 12/3; Oroya, b 32/6, s 33/6; Princess Royal (con.), 1/7, 1/6, b 1/5, s 1/7; Margaret, 4/3, b 4/3, s 4/4; Gwalia South, paid, b 22/6, s 27/3; pref., paid, b 32/, s 35/; Victory United, 1/6, b 1/5, s 1/6; Baker's, 6/6, 6/8, 6/7, b 6/7, s 6/8.

Silver: Broken Hill Proprietary, 59/, 59/3, 59/, b 58/9, s 59/; Block 14, pref., 22/6, 22/7½, 22/6, b 22/3, s 22/7½; British Old, 20/4½, 20/, b 19/10½, s 20/; New, 17/3, 16/10½, b 16/6, s 16/9; Block 10, 69/6, b 68/6; Junctions, 5/4, 5/3, b 5/3, s 5/4; Norths, 51/6, b 50/6, s 51/6; Souths, paid, 88/, contg 78/6, 80/, b 79/6, s 80s; South Blocks, 17/6, 18/, 17/10½, b 17/9, s 18/; Junction North, 21/9, b 21/, s 21/9½.

Copper: Chillagoe, 6/4, 6/6, 6/3, b 6/3, s 6/4; ditto (contg), 5/4, 5/6, 5/3, b 5/3, s 5/4; Hampden, 10/3, b 10/, s 10/4½; Elliott, b 55/, s 56/; Molloy, 10/9, 11/, 10/7½, b 10/6, s 10/7½; Mount Lyell, b 29/, s 30/; Mungana, 8/4, 8/5, 8/3, b 8/3, s 8/4; Mutooroo (contg), 2/1, b 2/, s 22/; O.K., 6/3, 6/4, 6/5, 6/2, b 6/3, s 6/4; Ohagooma, b 10/, s 21/; Wallaroo, 38/6, 37/9, 37/3, b 37/3, s 37/6; Gladstone, b 65/, s 70/; North Queensland, b 42/, s 43/.

Tin: Smith's, 6/9, 6/7, 6/3, 5/10, b 5/9, s 6/; Stannary, 3/, 2/11½, 2/11, b 2/9, s 2/10.

BENDIGO, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations and sales were:—Catherine Reef, 24/6, 25/3, sales 24/9; Garden Gully, 29/6, 31/; Horwoods and Burrowes, 7/1½, 7/6, sales 7/1½, 7/4; Hustler's Reef, 27/, 28/6; Londonderry, £15/10/, £18, sales £17/5/; New Chum Goldfields, 18/, 19/6; New Shenandoah, 4/9, 4/10, sales 4/8, 4/9; North Bendigo, 3/6, 5/6, sales 4/1; Sea, 17/, 17/6; South New Moon, 47/, 51/; Specimen Hill, 23/6, 25/3; Williams' United, 8/, 11/3.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales were:—Chillagoe (contg.), 5/10, 5/9, 5/8, 5/3, 5/2; O.K., 6/4½, 6/8, 6/4; O.K., Adelaide register, 6/3.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

Quotations: B. Central, b 3/6; B. Extended, 5/2, 5/6; ditto (paid), 7/, 7/6; Carrington, 3/6, 4/2; ditto (paid), b 4/6; Mexican, 1/1, 1/3; Alexandra, 2/9, 3/; ditto (paid), b 3/9; Kelly's, b 1/3; Mills' United, b 13/9; New B. Freehold, 3/1, 3/2; Phoebe, 1/3, 1/4; Q. Cross, 1/9, 1/10; Q. Central, 1/5, 1/8; Ruby, b 1/9; ditto (paid), b 2/.

Sales: Grant's, 1/5; New B. Freehold, 3/4, 3/3; Pfeiffers, 4/3; ditto (paid), 5/4; Molloys, 10/9.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

Quotations: No. 1 N. Columbia Smithfield, /10, 1/; No. 2 N. Columbia Smithfield, /6½, /8; Columbia Extended, s 1/3; No. 2 S. Great Eastern, 3/10, 4/6; Great Northern Extended (paid), /11, 1/; Oriental and Glanmire, 3/9, 4/2; Smithfield Phoenix Golden Pile, 1/6, 1/9; N. Smithfield, 6/, 6/8; Two Mile, 1/9, 2/.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, Oct. 30.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 60/7, s 61/10; British Broken Hill, b 20/7, s 21/10; North Broken Hill, b 53/9, s 56/3; South Broken Hill, b 88/9, s 91/3; Mount Lyell, b 29/6, s 30/6.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

H. DUFF and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Houses, Land, and Shares.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

H. and A. LAWSON.—At Waihemo, 5 Macpherson-street, Waverley, at 11, Piano, Organ, Oil Paintings, Furniture, etc.

CLARKE and SOLOMONS.—At Corstorphine, 372 Alfred-street, North Sydney, at 11, Piano, Sewing Machine, Jewellery, Furniture, etc.

G. I. KEMPTHORNE.—At 32 Oxford-street, at 11, Tweeds, Chairs, Tables, etc.

BARNARD and CO.—At the Mart, at 11, Clothing, Prints, Hats, Razors, Jewellery, etc.

A. G. JENKINS.—At the Rooms, at 10, Wearing Apparel, Brushware, Surgical Instruments, Books, Violin, Mandolin, etc.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Watches, Jewellery, etc.

DEAN and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11, Japanese Ware, Electroplated Goods, Glassware, etc.; at 12, Linoleum, Furniture, etc.

MITCHELL and CRANSTON.—At 361 George-street West, at 11, Stock-in-Trade of a Tobacconist, etc.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 170 George-street West, at 2.30, Piano, Furniture, etc.

H. LEVY.—At 441 Pitt-street, at 2, Clothing, Furniture, etc.

J. LEAN.—At 117 Regent-street, at 2.30, Clothing, Furniture, etc.

At Hewlett-street, Waverley, at 11, Furniture, etc.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

At the Sydney Wool Exchange, at 2, Wool.

SYDNEY PRODUCE SELLING BROKERS.—At the Wool Exchange, at 10, Hair, Horns, etc.; at 2.30, Tallow.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Saleyards, at 11 and 12.30, Cows, Calves, etc.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Bazaar, at 10.30, 11, and 11.30, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. COWAN.—At 365 Pitt-street, at 11, Gas Engines, Oil Engines, Lathes, Machinery, etc.

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CITY COUNCIL.

HEAVY BUSINESS SHEET.

The ordinary meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday night. The Lord Mayor (Alderman Hughes) presided.

UNEXPENDED BALANCES.

The Lord Mayor's minute in reference to unexpended balances, amounting to nearly £20,000, which has already been published, excited a lengthy discussion. Exception was taken to some of the works suggested to be carried out from these balances, and others were mentioned as being of a more urgent character. Eventually the minute was referred to the works committee.

HOARDINGS BYLAWS.

The bylaws committee recommended that the hoardings bylaws be amended, so as to fix the amount to be paid by proprietors of hoardings at 2d per square yard, and a license fee of 2s 6d per year, to be paid by bill-posters. The council reduced the amount to be paid by proprietors of hoardings to 1d per square yard. As amended, the recommendation was adopted.

CITY ELECTRICAL ENGINEER.

On the recommendation of the electric lighting committee the notice of the city electrical engineer to leave the council's service on April 30, 1908, was accepted, and it was ordered that applications be invited to fill the vacancy not later than February, 1908, to commence at a salary of £900 per annum.

REMODELLING QUEEN VICTORIA MARKETS.

Alderman Allen Taylor's motion having in view the remodelling of Queen Victoria Markets was referred to the general purposes committee. The cost of the land and buildings, he said, was £600,000, and there was a loss on the building of £10,000 a year. In 10 years they would lose £100,000, and there was therefore every necessity for them to take action in order to get relieved of this burden.

Alderman Morton supported the proposal, and said they should get a man of genius, if necessary to design something that would get them out of the financial mess into which the council was involved through these markets.

TRADES AND LABOUR.

UNITED STOREMEN'S UNION.

The committee appointed by the newly-formed United Storemen's Union met at the Trades Hall under the presidency of Mr. G. Lewis. Representatives of the organising committee of the Sydney Labour Council were present, including Mr. J. P. Cochran, the council's secretary. It was decided to recommend that the union should embrace employees in wool, bond, and bulk stores, produce, skin and hide, and tallow establishments, wine and spirit, drug and hardware stores, and other warehouses. A quorum for an ordinary meeting was fixed at 25, and for special meetings at 50, the entrance fee to be 2s 6d. Five members, in addition to the office-bearers, are to constitute the executive. Rules relating to the conduct of officers and management were read over, and will be submitted to a meeting to be held at the Trades Hall on Saturday night. Satisfactory reports were received from delegates respecting the enrolment. The union is aiming, to begin with, at a reduction of working hours.

TIPCARTERS ENTHUSIASTIC.

Close on 200 tipcarters who are seeking affiliation with the Trolly, Draymen, and Carters' Union, met officials of the latter union at the Trades Hall. It was decided to appoint a committee to frame a log for submission at a conference to be sought with the employers. The hours of labour, said to be in some instances from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. on week days, and from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays, were the chief cause of complaint. Comment was also made upon the unsatisfactory wages which in many cases were said to be 30s or thereabouts a week. The advice of the officials of the Trolly and Draymen's Union was an encouraging factor in the proceedings of the meeting, which was enthusiastic.

TRAMWAY EYESIGHT TESTS.

At a meeting of the Tramway Employees' Union held at the Trades Hall, a letter was read intimating that the Treasurer, Mr. Waddell, would in his capacity as Minister for Railways, receive a deputation from the executive of the union in reference to the eyesight tests, after the disposal of the budget speech. The men want a practical, not a theoretical, test.

HAIRDRESSERS DISSATISFIED.

The Sydney Hairdressers and Wigmakers' Employees' Union has decided, in view of the increased cost of living, and the low standard of wages paid in this industry, that it is desirable to have a conference with the employers at an early date, the object being to better the condition of its members. It is stated that the wages paid to hairdressers for skilled labour are about the poorest in the Commonwealth.

The points to be placed before the conference are:—That the minimum rate of £2 5s be extended to £2 10s per week; that the casual Saturday work be paid for at 15s instead of at 12s 6d; that the day be shortened, if possible, to 9 p.m.; and that the existence of the club system in city saloons be abolished.

POLICE COURTS.

CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

Before Mr. A. N. Barnett, S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, Arthur Joseph Higginbotham, 33, a labourer, was charged with embezzling various sums of money, the property of his master, William John Hamilton, laundry proprietor, of Bay-street, Sydney. The prosecutor stated that accused was employed by him as a carter, his duty being to deliver laundry parcels and collect accounts. The total deficiency in his accounts proved up to the present was £3 17s 6d. Accused received a salary of £1 12s 6d a week. Accused was fined £12, or in default three months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Before Mr. Barnett, S.M., yesterday, at the Water Police Court, William Lanyon, 56, a canvasser, was charged with stealing books of the value of 10s, the property of the New South Wales Bookstall Company. At his own request, accused was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions.

A FINE OF £100.

Before Mr. Smithers, S.M., yesterday, at the Central Police Court, Louie Robinson, married woman, pleaded guilty to a charge of selling liquor without a license in a house situate in Richard's-avenue, on October 27.

Mr. Mant (Crown Law Office) appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Fraser for the accused.

The accused, who had been previously convicted for a similar offence, was fined £100, or in default six months' hard labour.

SLY GROG.

Lewis O'Neill was on Monday charged at the Paddington Police Court with selling liquor without a license, at Hopewell-avenue, on September 23. Accused was fined £30, with 6s costs, or in default three months' imprisonment.

BEGA.
Mrs. J. H. Stubbs, Angledale, Bega, N.S.W., writes:—"I have used Dr. Sheldon's Digestive Tabules and found them excellent, far better than anything else I have taken for indigestion."
Dr. Sheldon's Digestive Tabules are an unequalled preparation for Indigestion and all Stomach Troubles.—Advt.

A page of the current issue of the "Sydney Mail" is devoted to the Women's Exhibition at Melbourne. There are illustrations of the exhibits sent in by the Princess of Wales and other members of the Royal Family.—Advt.

THE PACIFIC ISLANDS.

BRITISH MISMANAGEMENT.

GERMANY IN THE MARSHALLS.

(BY "MELANESIA.")

II.

The situation in the Marshall Islands deserves fuller discussion, because the whole history of its origin and treatment convincingly illustrates the methods of officialdom in London. Again we come upon the blindness of the Colonial Office, the dilatoriness of the Foreign Office; again we can note the willingness to sacrifice distant colonies to the convenience of a neighbouring Continental Power. Some of the history, no doubt, is 20 years old and more. But—as the New Hebrides embroglio has shown—20 years makes very little difference in departmental methods, whatever be the improvement in their professions of desire.

The story begins with the Godeffroys of Hamburg, who established themselves in Samoa during the fifties, invented copra in 1868, and scattered their branch factories over the Carolines (then Spanish), the Marshalls, and the archipelago north-east of New Guinea. At their instance in 1878 a German corvette hoisted the flag in New Britain, but Bismarck repudiated the annexation. The next year the Godeffroys went into liquidation, but in 1882 a Colonial League was formed in Germany, and at once began to advocate the annexation of Eastern New Guinea "as the foundation-stone of a colonial kingdom." This news reached Australia, and one imagines that it should have reached Lord Derby at the Colonial Office; but when in 1883 Queensland provisionally annexed the non-Dutch half of New Guinea Lord Derby annulled its action on the ground that our fear of Germany was quite unfounded. A year's protest and argument resulted in a half-promise that Britain might annex the southern coast if Australia would pay expenses, and Mr. Gladstone announced his intention to make a protectorate somewhere thereabouts, very much as Mr. Pickwick once announced that he was going to begin. Then followed a scramble for Melanesian land, and a commission for delimiting spheres of interest, which in 1886 drew the well-known line north-east from Huon Bay across the Solomons.

So far there is no complaint to make about the Marshall Islands, in which German interests were certainly, if only slightly, predominant. About New Guinea the Colonial Office was weak, and the Foreign Office anti-colonial, but their action with regard to the Marshalls was a fair compromise, and the treaty of 1886 stipulated for equal trade rights. Just there trouble began. The British authorities, only too glad to be rid of the worry in which Australia had involved them—for it never struck them from first to last that Britain itself was at all interested in the apportionment of the Pacific—signed the treaty, and forgot all about it. Germany set herself to exploit her new possessions, and, incidentally, to destroy as far as possible the equality of treatment which she had bound herself to give. The Marshalls were farmed out to the Jaluit Company of Hamburg, which collected all the revenue, imposed all the taxes, paid all the salaries and cost of administration, and took all the profits.

The result was simplicity itself. The Jaluit Company could charge what fees it liked to trading vessels. British vessels had to pay them, even to £450 a month; so had German vessels—but the only German vessels allowed in the Marshalls were the company's own, and if they went through the farce of paying, it was only into their own pockets. The export duty on copra worked in the same way. And the German Government, secure in its quibble, announced officially on July 14, 1905, that

(a) "Germany has already upheld the principle of the 'open door' and freedom of trade in connection with oversea territory"; and (b) "by its contract with the Government the Jaluit Company was perfectly justified in establishing a monopoly on the islands."

But we are going too fast. The exclusion of the British ship Ysabel was first known in Australia on November 4, 1904. After making a careful inquiry, the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth on November 15 cabled home a protest against German action. He got no answer. On November 22 he cabled again, having just heard of the new export duty on copra. Then the Colonial Office took the trouble to reply that both protests were being forwarded to Berlin, and the German press bestirred itself enough to call the trouble "petty."

In January Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., the owners of the Ysabel, formally claimed from the German Government "as compensation and as indemnity to themselves, both as merchants and as owners of the steamer Ysabel, for taxes illegally levied, for loss sustained through the prevention of trading at the Caroline Islands, for loss sustained through the prevention of trading at the Marshall Islands; for the refusal to allow land to be acquired, for loss arising from the dislocation of business, and for every other loss and damage arising from the illegal action of the authorities at the Caroline and Marshall Islands, the sum of £10,000." In the Caroline Islands, by the bye, the German authorities altogether prohibited British trade, except as to Ponape and Kusae, where there was no trade to be done, and a fee of £75 was charged for attempting it.

British officials now went to sleep. But on March 27, 1905, the Sydney Chamber of Commerce stirred up Mr. Reid (then Prime Minister), and he, in the mildest language possible, hoped that Germany "would not force the Commonwealth to take extreme measures as applied to German trade in Australian waters." The effect was amazing. Confidential cablegrams were sent off hurriedly by the British Government; the British Foreign Secretary for the first time openly adopted Australia's quarrel, and said in the House of Lords that German policy was "an evasion of the spirit and letter of the Anglo-German declaration of 1886." The Berlin press fell over itself with announcements that the matter would be remedied. Within a month it was unofficially announced that the Jaluit Company's rule over the islands would cease on April 1, 1906, and that on October 1, 1905, the extortionate fees would be reduced. (It was announced at the same time that the N.D.L. Company had secured a monopoly of the trade in German Melanesia; but that was a smart commercial transaction not ostensibly connected with politics).

But this fine show of friendliness was soon over. In July Lord Lansdowne was found to be still inquiring whether British firms could resume trading after October 1 without unreasonable restrictions; and his gentle hints about a settlement of Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co.'s claim drew from the German Government the audaciously cynical declaration already quoted, coupled with the remark that "there is no need to hurry over the business—the Chancellor is busy with more important matters." It was discovered afterwards that Germany had been using the long delay to attempt the establishment, by agreement with native chiefs, of a monopoly in the Marshalls similar to the one already secured in Melanesia. But the chiefs knew too much for their tempters.

RUGBY LEAGUE.

FINANCIAL MATTERS.

The New South Wales Rugby Football League has at length completed its constitution. Most of the clauses are just what would be drawn up for the control of any athletic body.

The most important clauses are those controlling the finances of the league, and the clubs. Some of them are:—

All metropolitan district clubs playing competition matches to receive, after paying ground percentage and wages, thirty-three and a third per cent. of the net proceeds, and the league to receive thirty-three and a third per cent; the league to pay all advertisements and referees' fees. This only applies to first grade matches, excepting the final match of the first grade competition.

The final match of first grade competition thirty-three and a third per cent. of the net proceeds to be devoted to the hospitals, and the balance to the assurance fund.

Any member hurt and incapacitated and prevented from following his usual occupation, shall receive all medical aid, medicine, and £2 per week until fit to follow his usual occupation. The maximum time for receiving benefit shall be 16 weeks.

Should any player be permanently injured, the matter may be brought before the committee, and such steps may be taken as the circumstances warrant.

District clubs shall supply playing members with uniforms free of cost.

Any player playing interstate or international matches in the Commonwealth, and the Dominion of New Zealand, under the direction of the New South Wales R.F.L., will receive 7s 6d per day for personal expenses outside the State, and 5s per day within the State, and may receive 10s per day, Sundays not included, for loss of time or salary.

In international matches beyond the Commonwealth of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand on the termination of the tour, the surplus, if any, after defraying all expenses such as steamer fares, railway fares, hotel account (meaning board and residence), football costumes, shall be divided between the New South Wales Rugby Football League and each member of the team, including the manager.

Any playing member of any club playing metropolitan district football under the direction of the New South Wales league will be reimbursed for his actual loss of time while playing football only. Payment not to exceed 10s per day, and such payment to be made by his club.

EIGHT HOURS AT ORANGE

INITIAL DEMONSTRATION.

SPLENDID PROCESSION.

NON-POLITICAL MOVEMENT.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

ORANGE, Wednesday.

The Orange people initiated their first Eight-hour Demonstration to-day with great eclat. A strong committee had been at work for weeks, determined to do the thing properly, and success was pronounced. The townspeople commenced operations on the assumption that the eight-hour principle is an Australian commonplace, recognised alike by Liberals and Labourites. The movement was, therefore, declared to be non-political. Master and men were asked to join in, and carry it to a successful accomplishment. The response was liberal. Business people thrust their hands into their pockets, and the necessary funds were provided.

People from the out-lying districts began to arrive early. Later, they were joined by the townspeople, thus swelling the crowds to several thousands. A public holiday had been proclaimed, and everyone was in holiday garb. Strings of flags and gay bunting crossed the main street, and blended with the pretty summer frocks of the women and children to make a scene animated and picturesque.

The forces were marshalled in processional order in the great square opposite the railway station. A thousand people crowded round urging on their friends with familiar grips, but made a dash for the main lines of route when the order to march was pronounced. The procession was headed by the Chief Marshal, who bestrode a white horse and wore green regalia. Next came two mounted policemen of splendid physique, typical hard country riders bronzed by the sun. Behind them strode the town band, playing a lively march, which impelled the processionists to lift their feet and animated their steps.

The Miners' Protection Association was prominent in the fourth place, carrying a handsome banner of green and gold. The shearers were conspicuous on a lorry, working away at their craft with practised cunning. They gave exhibitions both of machine and hand-shearing along the entire route. The locomotive enginedrivers, firemen, and cleaners struggled hard to maintain aloft a picturesque banner, declaring who they were, what they were, and why they existed.

The finest unit of the procession was the Ancient Order of Foresters; the get-up of its members was historical and picturesque. They mostly wore the typical green costumes. Each was armed with a spear and bow and arrows, and carried the Foresters' horn, and girdle at the waist. The scene was typical of Robin Hood and his merry men. The Foresters' section was led by a lady and gentleman on horseback, who looked just the characters they represented—Robin Hood and Maid Marian. Following the Foresters was a lorry rigged up as a corner of a hospital. A doctor sat beside a well-ordered bed, in which lay a patient. A nurse sat on the other side awaiting orders. Thus the Foresters demonstrated the benefits they conferred upon the sick. In harmony with this scene was the display of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, carrying a huge doll on a stretcher.

The Orange operative bakers had an excellent exhibit. A full sized oven was rigged on a lorry. It appeared to be in working order, and what the bakers made on the route they threw to the crowds. The town tradesmen were well to the front in cleverly arranged displays, too numerous to describe; and the comic section, mostly provided by boys, was also creditable. The other societies represented were the G.U.O.O.F. and the H.A.C.B.

The procession, which was fully three-quarters of a mile long, after parading the principal streets, went to the show ground, where sports and a luncheon were held. The Salvation Army was also in the procession.

CASUALTIES.

DROWNED AT BALMAIN.

Archibald M'Gregor, aged 56, late chief cook on the steamer Tyrian, lying at Elliott Brothers' wharf, Balmain, was going ashore yesterday when he slipped on the gangway, and fell into the water. The Civil Ambulance officers endeavoured to restore animation, after the man was taken from the water, but without success, and Dr. Menzies pronounced life extinct. The body was conveyed to the north morgue.

FOUND DROWNED.

The City Coroner (Mr. J. L. King) yesterday held a magisterial inquiry into the death of William Normansell, whose dead body was found on the rocks at Little Reef, north of Narrabeen, on the 25th inst. Mr. Kearney watched the case on behalf of the relatives. The deceased was a native of Manchester, about 46 years of age, and had been in business as a butcher in the city. He resided with his wife at Mitchell-street, Glebe. He left home on October 21, and was not seen by his wife afterwards. Mrs. Normansell said he had attempted suicide on a previous occasion, but she was not aware that he intended to commit suicide. He was in financial difficulties. The Coroner returned a verdict of found drowned.

CAUGHT BY A CIRCULAR SAW.

Thomas M'Kinnery, 18, employed by the Sydney Woodturning Company, had his left hand and thumb badly lacerated by a circular saw yesterday. He was taken to the Sydney Hospital.

SHEARERS' COOK DROWNED.

YASS, Wednesday.

A shearers' cook named Thomas Thomas, 49, was accidentally drowned at Binnalong Creek on Sunday morning last. Deceased was a stranger in the district. He was last seen on Saturday night. At a magisterial inquiry on Monday, before Dr. Thane, a verdict of accidentally drowned was returned. It is not known how deceased got into the water.

FELL INTO A FIRE.

DUNGOG, Tuesday.

A young son of Mr. Jas. Beecher, of Underbank, while playing in front of a fire, accidentally fell into the flames, his clothes catching fire. He was severely burned on the left arm, also about the face and right arm, which necessitated his removal to Dungog for medical treatment.

SERIOUS DRIVING ACCIDENT.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

Mr. Alexander M'Murray, a resident of Wallalong, aged 74, was driving a horse and cart yesterday, when the animal bolted, colliding with a post. Mr. M'Murray was thrown out, sustaining severe injuries to the head. The scalp excepting a few inches at the back of the head, was torn off. He was admitted to Maitland Hospital last night, when the scalp was stitched on.

KICKED BY A PONY.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

Mrs. Purdie, widow of Dr. Purdie, had one of her thighs fractured by the kick of a pony. She was taken to the hospital. The patient is 78 years of age.

FATALITY IN A MINE.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

An inquest was held on Monday on the body of William J. Clements, or Clemens, who was killed in North mine on Friday morning. A verdict of accidental death was returned. Deceased was struck by a rock, which caused a severe fracture of the skull. Deceased came from Eaglehawk (Vic.).

BURNING ACCIDENT.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

A young girl employed at a boarding-house at Cangai was severely burned on Friday through her clothes catching fire.

THROWN FROM A HORSE.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

Hedley Crispin, the six-year-old son of George Crispin, was thrown from a horse at Cangai on Sunday, fracturing his skull, death resulting in 30 minutes.

DROWNED IN BONG BONG CREEK.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

At the inquest on Monday touching the death of William Riley, whose body was found in Bong Bong Creek, near Glenugie, a verdict of found drowned was recorded.

JUMPED FROM A BRIDGE.

HAY, Wednesday.

A carrier named Michael Sinclair, who had been in town loading for Ivanhoe, committed suicide yesterday morning by jumping off the Hay bridge into the Murrumbidgee. Several persons saw the occurrence, but were unable to render assistance. The body has not yet been recovered. Sinclair was about 60 years of age.

LISMORE, Tuesday.

An inquiry was held by the Coroner touching the burning of the old Terania Public school. His finding was that the building had been wilfully set on fire by some person unknown.

MURWILLUMBAH, Wednesday.

Mrs. A. J. Somerville, of Terragon, while attending cows in a milking yard, slipped and fell on a concrete floor, fracturing several ribs.

COUNTRY NEWS.

CASINO RAILWAY STATION.

CASINO, Wednesday.

At a public meeting, which was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, a resolution was carried to petition the Railway Commissioners to remove the railway station to the town side of the line, the present situation being a source of danger to the travelling public, and inconvenient. A resolution was passed asking Mr. Lee to take steps in the matter of railway connection between Casino and Kyogle.

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

John Scott, at the police court yesterday, was committed for trial on a charge of inflicting grievous bodily harm on Hugh Moss.

MUNICIPAL.

ARMIDALE, Wednesday.

At a special meeting of the municipal council, Alderman James Jones was elected Mayor, in lieu of Alderman J. P. Bonnar, resigned, who is leaving the district.

A COURAGEOUS OLD MAN.

MURWILLUMBAH, Tuesday.

Alick Wulff, aged 4 years, had a narrow escape from drowning. While running along a wharf at South Murwillumbah he fell into the river in deep water. An old man named M'Intyre, 75 years of age, was the only person present at the time. He courageously jumped in and secured the child. Both were rescued in an exhausted state by a man named Progers, who came on the scene at a critical moment. M'Intyre is well known in the district.

NEW RIVER STEAMER.

CORAKI, Tuesday.

The river passenger steamer Frederick Davis, built by Messrs. Turner and Conroy, of Coraki, to the order of Messrs. Davis Bros. and Burgess, ran her speed trials on Saturday, which were very satisfactory. She did three measured miles in 12 minutes. The vessel is lit throughout with electricity, and will be engaged in the Woodburn-Lismore service.

THE HOSPITALS.

MOREE, Tuesday.

The total collection in connection with the second annual hospital Saturday was £328 3s.

THE CHURCHES.

GULGONG, Wednesday.

The annual exhibition in aid of the Church of England funds took place at the theatre on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The net proceeds will amount to about £100.

HILLGROVE, Wednesday.

The Rev. John Walker, Presbyterian Assembly's commissioner, addressed a crowded congregation on Sunday night. He was entertained at a reception in the School of Arts on Monday night, when there was a large assemblage. He is on a mission to New England, to organise the subdivision of Armidale parish.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

Several boys were charged at the police court with throwing stones in a public street, to the danger of passers-by. The evidence showed that the lads attacked the Rev. C. E. Shafer's house with stones, and that such attacks were of frequent occurrence. One lad was fined, but the other cases were withdrawn. Several boys were fined for throwing fireworks amongst the Salvation Army.

The majority of the Friendly Societies have decided in favour of a Friendly Societies' dispensary. 24 lodges representing 3500 members having expressed willingness to join.

COOLAMON, Wednesday.

With respect to the movement for a local water supply the shire council is having trial shafts put down in a position close to the town on a favourable catchment on the south side of the railway line, with a view of a large reservoir being excavated. The Progress Committee is urging for an estimate of the expenditure for a scheme to have water conducted from the Murrumbidgee River, a distance of 16 miles, and to make it a national work, so that farmers en route could tap the supply.

The Railway Commissioners have been notified to discontinue watering the locomotives here from the local government tank, owing to the absence of rain. This is the town's main supply, after domestic tanks are exhausted.

COOMA, Wednesday.

Another consignment of rainbow trout ova, comprising 20,000 eggs, has been successfully despatched to the temporary hatchery at the Hospice, Mount Kosciusko, where it will be hatched, and the fry nursed until sufficiently developed to be liberated in the mountain streams.

CORAKI, Wednesday.

A five-roomed cottage, belonging to Mr. R. Fogwell, and occupied by Mr. A. Cummings, was burnt to the ground on Monday night.

GULGONG, Wednesday.

Grasshoppers at Berriwa on Saturday cleared off everything before them in a paddock of wheat. They stripped 20 acres in about two hours.

PARKES, Wednesday.

The local bakers have raised the price of bread to 3½d per 2lb loaf for cash, and 4d per loaf for credit, owing to the high price of flour ruling.

Telephonic communication has now been established between Parkes and Tichbourne.

SINGLETON, Tuesday.

It has been decided to form a Parents and Citizens' Association, in connection with the Singleton Superior Public School.

At the Roman Catholic Cemetery to-day the remains were interred of Mrs. Richard Cooper, aged 96 years, a very old identity of the district, having lived here for over 60 years.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

Mr. Chas. Regan celebrated the golden jubilee of the Palace of Trade on Monday by tendering a dinner to the employees, who number about forty. The silver jubilee of two employees, Messrs. C. J. Shannon and C. H. Mooney, was also celebrated. Mr. Regan handed each a cheque for £50. In addition, he previously gave all his employees a bonus.

PROFESSOR J. H. BILES.

IMPRESSED WITH SYDNEY HARBOUR.

VISIT TO LITHGOW IRONWORKS.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

Professor J. H. Biles, Professor of Naval Architecture, Glasgow University, a member of the Admiralty committee on design, and Consulting Naval Architect to the Government of India, accompanied by Captain Creswell, Commonwealth Naval Director, visited Lithgow this morning, arriving by mail train.

In the course of an interview Professor Biles said he was on the way from Bombay to Calcutta, and having a little time to spare, he determined to take a run to Australia, where he was interested in possible shipbuilding. Unfortunately, the time at his disposal was very short, but he was determined to see everything possible within the time. After spending a day or two in Melbourne he came on to Sydney, and he and Captain Creswell were engaged in going over Sydney Harbour, the lower and upper portions, and seeing it from all its shipping points of view, and noting what a great shipping centre it is.

"We went over the naval establishments at Garden Island," he said, "and saw all that comprise the naval base. Through the very kind assistance of the Public Works Department and the Minister for Works (Mr. C. A. Lee), every facility was placed in our way for inspecting Cockatoo and Fitzroy Docks. Mr. W. J. Hanna, Under-Secretary Public Works Department, and Colonel Vernon very kindly showed us everything in Sydney that is under control of the Public Works Department, including Fitzroy Dock and workshops."

The professor expressed himself much impressed with the harbour and its deep-water facilities for coping with shipping to almost any extent. Later, they were very kindly shown over the Woolwich Dock by Mr. Franki, director of Mort's Engineering Company. They saw the motor works there, also Mr. Franki's great boat Invincible. Afterwards they were shown over Mort's Dock and Mort's great engineering factory and shipping establishment.

Then they came on to Lithgow, and this morning were taken in hand by Mr. John Sandford, and shown over the blast furnace and steel and iron works. Professor Biles emphasised the point that the visit was purely a private one, undertaken of his own volition, in order that he might be informed of the resources of Australia.

Both gentlemen left for Sydney to-day.

THE FORESTRY COMMISSION.

TAREE, Wednesday.

The Forestry Commission took evidence at Coopernook on Monday, and at Taree on Tuesday, the members present being Messrs. Kethel and Freeman. A large number of witnesses were examined at both places, and very contradictory evidence given as to certain areas. The prevailing opinion is that large reserves are necessary. The commission left to-day for Newcastle.

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QUEENSLAND.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A WOMAN.

FIVE YOUTHS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

At the South Brisbane Police Court on Tuesday five youths, who were charged with committing a serious offence on a servant girl, aged 17, were committed for trial.

NEW SOUTH WALES AMATEUR CYCLISTS.

The Mayor of Brisbane this morning tendered a civic welcome to the New South Wales champion cyclists, who are visiting Brisbane to take part in the Australasian amateur cycling championships on Saturday.

THE NEW MAIL CONTRACT.

The Premier said to-day that the State Government had received no information that under the new mail contract made by the Commonwealth Brisbane would be made a port of call. No request had been received for information about the amount of refrigerated space required, as had been stated in a telegram from Melbourne, but the State Government had been making arrangements to secure the space required to carry exhibits for the Franco-German Exhibition. The Government, said Mr. Kidston, did not intend to be left in any difficulty in that matter. The Premier said he was not yet in a position to make any announcements regarding the Torres Straits service.

THE FRANCO-BRITISH EXHIBITION.

A good mining display is to be made in the Queensland court at the Franco-British Exhibition. A considerable quantity of gems were to be purchased in order to show the variety in which precious stones can be obtained in Queensland.

VICTORIA.

FIRE AT PENTRIDGE GAOL.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A stock of flax containing about 120 tons was destroyed by fire at Pentridge Gaol. It took the brigade five hours to extinguish the outbreak, which is believed to have been due to spontaneous combustion.

WESTERN DISTRICT RESUMPTION.

In the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday the Premier stated that the Government intended to modify their Western District scheme so as to limit the cost of resumption to £2,000,000. That sum would be spread over five years. He thought they would be able to get 300,000 acres for the money.

THE WOOL SALES.

At Monday's wool sales the selection was large and attractive. The market was firm and active, being quite equal to the rates ruling last week.

During the week ended to-day 28,807 bales of wool were offered, and 26,397 were sold in Melbourne and Geelong markets. The market was extremely active throughout, and to-day's prices show no quotable change from the high level ruling a week ago.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

THE WOOL SALES.

A RECORD OFFERING.

ADELAIDE, Tuesday.

At the third series of wool sales yesterday the offerings were a world's record for a single day's business, and amounted to 32,500 bales. There was a full attendance of buyers, and competition was keen for fine wools suitable for America, prices of which ruled fully equal to last sales. In other directions the tone of the market was less evident. Inferior and medium wools ruled from a farthing to a halfpenny easier.

As sales progressed the tone of the market improved somewhat, and at the close it was questionable whether there was any decline on certain types of wool, while on others the easing was not more than a farthing.

THE WAGES BOARDS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

In the Legislative Council to-day, wages boards were granted to the agricultural implement makers and brushmakers, with a proviso protecting the inmates in blind and charitable institutions. It was also decided that none of the boards agreed to should be established until the law was altered, and that each board should appoint its own chairman.

CANEFIELDS LABOUR.

LADIES' NAMES IN THE SENATE.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Assertions credited to lady delegates to the Australian Women's National League were the subject of questions in the Senate. A few days ago Mrs. Mitchell, from Mackay, was reported to have said that in the Mackay district women and children were to be seen working in the canefields, and that children who should be at school were obliged to help to make a living. Mrs. Chataway, also of Mackay, was credited with saying that the white men now employed were of bad character and unreliable. To-day Senator Turley (Queensland) asked Ministers if they had received any official reports which would bear out these statements.

The Vice-President of the Executive Council said that he had not received anything of the kind from Government officials. He had, however, received information from Mrs. Chataway that she had not used the words "bad characters," or "unreliable," or any words capable of that construction.

Senator Cameron (Tas.) here rose in a heat and said: "I think it would be advisable in future that no ladies' names should be used in this House."

Senator Findlay (Vic.): "Why not? They're Commonwealth citizens."

Senator Cameron, shouting at the top of his voice: "I don't care who they are." He was going to continue on the subject, but was stopped by the President, who told him he could not discuss the matter at question time.

THE WRECKED MILDURA.

REFLOATING OPERATIONS SUSPENDED.

PERTH (W.A.), Tuesday.

From information received at Fremantle yesterday, it appears that all hope of refloating the stranded steamer Mildura, which ran ashore off North West Cape some months ago, has been abandoned—at any rate, until February of next year. Recent tides, owing to the prevailing easterly and south-easterly set of winds, have not been sufficiently high to float her over the surrounding reefs, which she apparently passed at an exceptionally high tide. The salvage party have now despaired of getting her into the open sea for the present, and it is understood that they have sent word to the head office of the A.U.S.N. Company recommending that operations be abandoned until February next, when it is expected that the winds will be more favourable.

Although nothing definite has been decided on, opinions are held in shipping circles that the vessel will now either be abandoned to the underwriters or sold. It is generally held that the failure of operations was due to a very considerable extent to the late start made. Had the work been taken in hand immediately after the wreck, or as soon after as it was possible to bring necessary apparatus from the eastern States, the vessel it is stated, would have been refloated before unfavourable winds set in. This, however, was rendered impossible, owing to litigation which followed the seizure of the Mildura as an abandoned vessel by a resident of Onslow.

It is estimated that the cost of salvage operations to date, including the use of the salvage steamer Una, which absorbs something approaching £390 per month, wages, etc, has already exceeded £5000.

POLICE PROMOTIONS.

The following promotions have been approved by the Inspector-General of Police:—Sergeant M'Donald, of the traffic branch, to be senior-sergeant; Senior-Constable Bennett, of No. 2 division, to be sergeant; first-class Constables Urquhart, of Redfern, and Sexton, of Petersham, to be senior-constables; Constables Duffell, of No. 4 division, and Fleming, of the traffic branch, to be first-class constables.

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NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The President took the chair at 4.30 p.m.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS.

The House then proceeded to ballot for the election of three members to serve on the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, the result being in favour of Messrs. Hurley (31), Dick (24), and Flowers (24). Twenty votes were recorded for Mr. Robson.

TEMPORARY SUPPLY BILL.

On the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council, it was resolved that such of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Temporary Supply Bill being passed through all its stages in one day. Mr. Hughes stated that the measure would come up on the following day.

ADJOURNMENT.

At 5.30 p.m. the House adjourned until 4 o'clock on the following day.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker took the chair at 4.30 p.m. yesterday.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS, replying to Mr. Beeby, said that Hopkins's improvement lease No. 312, of 3103 acres, near Millthorpe, would expire on December 38. Representations had been made by the member for the district, Mr. Waddell, in May last, to have the land then made available for settlement. The matter was in the hands of the district surveyor.

The MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS said, in reply to Mr. Peters, that the extension of the railway from Jerilderie to Deniliquin had not been considered. Inquiries would be made regarding the Deniliquin-Moama privately-owned railway, with a view to its resumption.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS, replying to Mr. Peters, said ample provision had been made in the conditions attached to every improvement lease to permit timber-cutters to camp and graze their horses on forest reserves let as improvement leases while they were engaged in their calling. The royalty of 6d per cord imposed in respect of "dead wood" gathered for fuel on the Murray forest reserves was the only check the Government had on the industry. The check was necessary, as much of the fuel went across the river into Victoria, and also to the river steamers.

The MINISTER FOR MINES, in reply to Mr. Edden, said he was aware that a large meeting of miners at Newcastle had carried a resolution in favour of an eight-hours day from bank to bank. He would consider the matter of bringing in a bill to legalise the proposal, but he did not think it would be possible this session.

NEW BILLS.

On the motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick a bill to ensure provision for testators' families was read the first time.

On the motion of Mr. Holman a bill to amend the law relating to landlord and tenant was read the first time.

On the motion of the Minister for Lands a bill was read the first time to divest the proprietors of certain railways, and the Australasia Coal Company, of their estates in certain lands within the Newcastle pasturage reserve; to declare certain of these lands Crown lands; to give effect to certain disposals of lands within the area, and to preserve existing rights of occupation.

On the motion of the Premier, a bill to make provision for the defence of poor prisoners, and for other purposes connected therewith, was read the first time. Leave would have to be obtained from a Judge before assistance could be granted.

SUPPLY.

The TREASURER moved the suspension of the Standing Orders to allow of the passage of a Temporary Supply Bill through all stages in one day. The existing supply would expire in a couple of days, and the Government wanted power to pay for the services of the country for the next two months. The necessary steps would have to be taken that night in order that the wages and salaries could be paid as they fell due.

Mr. CANN objected to the system whereby the House was continually being asked to pass Temporary Supply Bills, and the greater part of the financial year expired before members had an opportunity of criticising the expenditure in detail.

Mr. Price, Mr. O'Sullivan, Mr. Dacey, Mr. Edden, and Mr. Norton supported the protest made by Mr. Cann.

Mr. Waddell having replied, the motion for the suspension of the Standing Orders was agreed to on division by 37 votes to 30.

In Committee of Supply the TREASURER moved for a grant of £1,242,000 for the services of the State for November and December, on the basis of the estimates to be passed; and £100,000 in anticipation of the loan vote for railways and tramways.

The TREASURER said that the Supply Bill to be introduced would provide that in case any reduction was made it would be adjusted subsequently, so that the passage of the bill would not take from Parliament the power to deal with the financial proposals of the year. The vote for railways and tramways was principally to provide for important works at Darling Harbour and Clyde, which were urgently needed.

Mr. M'GOWEN said that last Parliament voted four months' supply without any criticism, and as far as the present House was concerned they were committed to an expenditure covering that four months, without having been given a chance to say a word about it. On top of that, the Government wanted them to grant an additional two months in similar circumstances. He moved to reduce the amount asked for by one half to meet the requirements for the month of November.

The amendment was negatived by 37 to 32.

The discussion was carried on by Messrs. Cann, Fitzpatrick, Stuart-Robertson, Norton, J. Storey, G. Jones, G. Miller, Mercer, Holman, and Beeby.

The motion was agreed to in supply; and, in Committee of Ways and Means, a bill was brought in founded on the resolution, and passed through all stages.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

A bill to create a Department of Agriculture was introduced by the Premier, and read the first time.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House, at 2.30 a.m., adjourned till 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

IMMIGRATION LEAGUE.

ANNUAL MEETING.

DR. ARTHUR RESIGNS.

The annual meeting of the Immigration League of Australia was held at Falmouth-chambers last night, and attracted a large attendance. The president (Dr. Arthur) presided.

The annual report, after referring to the need of population, stated that difficulties had taken place between the president and executive, and concluded with the following:—"The executive committee places on record with extreme regret the fact that the president has on many occasions broken the rules specially farmed to cover all contributions to the press, thereby causing serious dissension in the ranks of the executive."

The president protested against what he described as the irregular manner in which the report had been issued, and complained of the methods which had been adopted to get the paragraphs referring to alien immigration and himself included. He took exception to a name appearing in the report, because it did not represent his views. Referring to the dissensions between himself and a section of the executive, he admitted he had had some correspondence with Mr. Zangwill with regard to the settling of a Jewish colony in Australia; but it was never intended that they should settle anywhere else than in the Northern Territory. Someone, however, had raked up a letter in which it was stated that four or five millions of Jews would be sent out. Anyone knew that it would be impossible to send that number, yet it had been reported that the executive had been able to nip this thing in the bud, otherwise they would have had these people here. He challenged anybody to show that he had deluded people to come here. The proof was in the production of those persons. Again, if his writings had misled people, why had not the committee accepted his challenge for an impartial committee of investigation.

Mr. W. A. Oakeley raised a point of order, and another member of the audience, amid many expressions of approval, asked whether the report should not be put to the meeting.

Dr. Arthur: Well, gentlemen, as there is no desire that I should continue, all I have to do is to tender my resignation as president of the league.

As Dr. Arthur walked out of the room there was an unfriendly demonstration against him.

Mr. Oakeley was then voted to the chair.

Mr. J. Haynes moved the adoption of the report.

The motion was seconded by Mr. F. A. Wright, and carried.

Mr. W. A. Oakeley was elected president in place of Dr. Arthur.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

LABOUR PARTY ACTIVE.

Is the Labour party likely to endeavour to capture the bulk of the seats at the municipal elections in January? This is a question that is being widely discussed in Labour circles. The answer is, according to Labour members, "No, not as a party;" but individual Labour Leagues will be asked to look after their own districts, and take such action as they deem fit to secure representation in the local councils.

The whole of the aldermen in New South Wales except those in the City Council will retire in the last week in January, under the provisions of the Local Government Act. This will be the first time that whole councils retire as a body. Hitherto it has been one-third of the number to retire each year.

The Labourites realise that municipalism under the Local Government Act is of much greater importance than it was under the old Municipalities Act, and there are certain questions which the Labour party would like to see settled in its own way. One reform it desires to secure is a widening of the franchise on the lines of the Parliamentary roll, instead of the present system of every person being compelled to apply for his vote by means of a sworn declaration. Some of the councils are sending round the forms to the voters to fill in. In other places the electors must go to the council-chambers to get them, and a great number of people are not aware of the fact that a sworn declaration must be obtained. The members of the Labour party claim that owing to this hundreds of householders will be disfranchised. In time the Labour party hopes to have such conditions done away with, and the broad system of adult franchise introduced.

Another matter which concerns Labour interests in municipal life is the strong advocacy which the party puts forward for a full measure of rating upon the unimproved value system. At present it is optional with councils whether they rate under that system or not, and the Labour party is of opinion that strong opposition will be put forward to such a system, as it will materially affect land-owners. Then there is the question of the Labour objective being applied to local government. This means the nationalisation of all means of production, distribution, and exchange. Labour members point out that in accordance with their ideals of the objective, they should endeavour to have all the common services of any district controlled by the municipality for the people. Gas and water supplies, railways, ferries, and tramways would naturally be taken up by private companies if opportunity offered; but the Labour party intend to endeavour to enforce the carrying out of all those services strictly by the local councils.

With such ideals the Labour party realises that to secure representation in the municipal life of the country is a matter of growing importance, and there is a strong feeling in Labour circles that the lines followed in Broken Hill should be adopted in all large centres. In Broken Hill the local Labour Leagues have a strong party in the municipal council—a party which meets in caucus and votes as one man at the council table. That party is in power at present, and the Mayor, it is stated, is a member. But some of those who know intimately of the workings of the Broken Hill Council predict a downfall for the Labour section in January, and even Mr. Cann, the member for the district, admits that the present Labour aldermen are not a success, and are doing the very things objected to in their opponents. But Mr. Cann and the other Labour members argue that even if the Broken Hill Labour aldermen have made a mistake, the system of having Labour men in a municipal council, pledged to a caucus vote, is not to be condemned until it has been properly tried, and in the near future there is a possibility of the Labour party going into the whole question in a very earnest manner.

Already a number of the Labour Leagues around Sydney have taken the matter up, and are arranging to run candidates.

MR. LYMAN L. PIERCE.

A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT.

The national secretaries of the Young Men's Christian Association, Messrs. Lyman L. Pierce, B.Sc., and William Gillanders, B.A., arrived from their successful New Zealand tour on Tuesday.

Seen at the association last evening, Mr. Pierce was most enthusiastic over the great progress of the association movement during the past two years, and especially with the great results since June 1, when not less than £63,000 has been turned over to the movement, to be administered in behalf of the young men of Australia and New Zealand.

"The beginning of the great advance," said Mr. Pierce, "may be traced to the supervisory or organising work which has now taken intelligent shape. The visits of Mr. Budge, of Montreal, gave a new vision of the association movement. It was found desirable to make permanent this supervision, and 14 months ago a national committee was formed with representative broad-visioned men representing all of the associations of Australia and New Zealand. It was decided to place a man in the field to devote his entire time to the work of strengthening the movement, especially in unorganised centres. The Melbourne association released me from its general secretaryship to undertake this work. Mr. William Gillanders, B.A., a highly honoured graduate of the University of New Zealand, has been elected to the position upon my return to America in December. Mr. Alexander Jameson, a journalist and experienced American association man, will be associated with Mr. Gillanders now that the national work has reached dimensions which make it necessary for more than one man. On June 1 the forward movement for modern and up-to-date buildings, free from debt, began in Bendigo and Ballarat, resulting in £5500 for Bendigo and £5000 for Ballarat before July 1. Since then Ballarat has received the gift of a site which immensely helps them.

"On August 25 Mr. Gillanders and I arrived in New Zealand with 51 working days at our disposal, and faced with the problem of providing buildings for the associations at Dunedin, Christchurch, and Auckland. We distributed our time as best we could, and the campaigns began. In Dunedin the canvass resulted in securing £15,000 in the short space of 14 days. At Christchurch the goal was set for £15,000 in 12 days, with the result that on the night of the 12th day the large sum of £15,380 had been pledged. At Auckland, with an antique building poorly adapted to the work, the problem was very difficult, but the people met it. In 12 days £16,500 was provided, and the three buildings were secured. At Wellington a six days' canvass resulted in £4100 toward the completion of their beautiful new building, which will be occupied in March. These remarkable results may be attributed to several causes. New Zealand is enjoying a period of unexampled prosperity, but their people are not inclined therefore to lower their altruistic standards, as is so often the case, but rather to give in larger proportions than ever. The examples of giving were simply inspiring, and the delight in doing these big things for the advancement of the best interests of their country was worth seeing. Then the organisation of the campaigns was superb, and the preparatory work was all that could be desired.

"If any token were necessary," concluded Mr. Pierce, "to indicate the hold that the practical methods of the modern Young Men's Christian Association movement have taken on the intelligent and public-spirited men and women of Australasia, the fact that £51,000 was contributed in 51 working days, and £62,000 since June 1 should be sufficient."

Including the buildings now being erected at Brisbane, Sydney, and Hobart, the purchase of a building at Melbourne and a debt extinction at Adelaide, £140,000 has been provided for this movement during the past three years.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

GRANVILLE COUNCIL.

At a meeting of the Granville Council on Tuesday evening Alderman Townsend asked what proportion of voters' declaration papers had been returned to the council duly filled up, signed, and witnessed. The clerk answered that only 30 had been returned out of about 800. Alderman Pigler said that the necessity of having to declare before a justice of the peace was the chief cause of so few tenants troubling their heads about the matter. He was afraid that more than half the voters would be disfranchised if they were compelled to look up a J.P. in order to make a declaration. It was decided that as a matter of urgency the Government be approached to have that portion of the ordinance which required a justice of the peace to witness the declaration eliminated. On the motion of the Mayor the desirability of making a charge for the registration of dairymen and milk vendors was affirmed, and it was decided to apply to the Government for power to make such a charge. The fee decided upon was 5s for dairymen, and 2s 6d for milk vendors.

A HEAVY FINE.

At the Parramatta Police Court on Wednesday, before Mr. William Clarke, D.S.M., Silas Martin was charged with using an unlicensed stage coach for hire on October 9. The defence was that the coach was used as a substitute, and no fares were charged. Defendant was fined £20, together with costs.

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The Bathurst Eight-hour Day Procession is illustrated in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

Fascinator, out of the Hurdle Race, and Philatel, out of the Rosehill Handicap, were the scratchings recorded yesterday in connection with the Rosehill November Meeting.

Trainers and jockeys entitled to admission to the Rosehill November Meeting on Saturday can obtain the necessary tickets at the office of the club up to 4 p.m. to-day.

The two-year-old Mungle Bundie-bred colt, by San Francisco (imp.) from Lady Mostyn, purchased as a yearling by the Victorian sportsman, Mr. W. Leonard, at the Randwick autumn sales for 400 guineas, has been put into work by Walter Hickenbotham, at Flemington. The youngster, who is half-brother to Lady Wallace, has been named Pyers Mostyn.

At the Folkestone (Eng.) September meeting a couple of fillies by Carbine earned a winning bracket each. R. Wootton's three-year-old filly, Muscosa, by Carbine from Floridia, piloted by Frank Wootton, was successful in the Dover Handicap, in which, in a field of 13, she started at 4 to 1, and made all her own running. Lord Derby's four-year-old Carbine filly, Yellow Peril, won the Romsey Handicap, having started at 7 to 4 on.

There was no change worthy of mention yesterday in the local betting market on the Melbourne Cup.

Hexagon, a three-year-old half-brother (by Ladas) to Playaway, who won the Caulfield Futurity Stakes, 1904, and the V.R.C. Newmarket Handicap, 1905, for Mr. Francis Foy, secured the Alloway Selling Plate, 5f, at the Western (Ayr) September meeting. At the same reunion Lucky Coin, a four-year-old gelding by Bill of Portland, won a couple of races.

The foalings reported from Mr. John Brown's stud at Whittingham total 16, and, of the youngsters six claim the defunct Sir Foote (imp.) as sire, while of the other 10 the imported horses Trussing Cup and Simile are each responsible for five. Sir Foote's progeny are ch. f from Oriflamme (imp.), by Orme; b. c. from La Crosse (imp.) by Ladas; b. c. from Lively (imp.) by Orvieto; ch. f. from Martinique (imp.) by Martagon; and b. f. from Prize by Trenton. The Trussing Cup youngsters are b. f. from Sundial (imp.) by Kendal; b. c. from Cheap Glass (imp.), by Isinglass; b. c. from Mintberry (imp.), by Mint-ing; b. f. from Pet of the Chase (imp.), by Peter; and b. c. from Electra, by Russley. Simile's foals are b. f. from Rosellene (imp.), by Cyllene; b. f. from Atholstene, by Navigator; b. c. from Gaiter by Navigator; b. f. from First Prize, by Motto (son of Lochiel); and b. c. from Wondup, by Gibraltar.

The Victorian sportsman Mr. J. E. Stanley has just returned from a trip to England and the Continent. While in England he purchased a number of thoroughbreds, including that good performer Traquair, and several high-class brood mares. Traquair comes from England in the steamer Commonwealth, in charge of the ex-Victorian trainer Andy Ferguson.

A filly by William the Third from Tragedy Queen, who is now located at the Shipley Stud, near Warrnambool (Vic.), was purchased at the Doncaster September sales for 1600 gs.

Bemboka Jockey Club (November 2) and Nymagee Hospital (December 26) race meetings have been granted registration by the A.J.C.

The Port Adelaide Racing Club is likely to adopt the system of padding the top rail of the steeplechase fences, as at Flemington and Moonee Valley, and the work will be carried out in time of the Midsummer meeting of the club.

KENSINGTON RACING CLUB.

A pony and galloway race meeting was held yesterday at Kensington under the management of the associated clubs, and passed off without accident or unpleasantness. There was a large attendance, and the track was in good order. Results:—

Fourteen-one Handicap of 30 sovs.; second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize; 5f.—W. J. Gander's b g Little Fellow, by [illegible], 4lb (A. Pearse), 1; Cecil, 7st 4lb (M. Griffin), 2; My Fancy, 7st (H. Bass), 3. Other starters: Egypt, 10st 8lb; Skylark, 10st 6lb; Miss Moorefield, 9st; The Shanty Belle, 8st 2lb; Refrain, 7st 12lb; Lady Wilton, 7st 12lb; Cocky, 7st 12lb; Hipbah, 7st 8lb; Little Flo, 7st 8lb; Twilight, 7st 5lb; Claribelle, 7st; Tornado, 7st. Betting: 2 to 1 v Miss Moorefield, 5 to 2 v Lady Milton, 7 to 1 v The Shanty Belle, 8 to 1 v Cecil and Egypt, 10 to 20 to v 1 others. Won by a neck. Time, 1m 7s.

Flying Handicap of 35 sovs; second 3 and third 2 sovs from the prize; 5½f.—A. J. Tweedie's br g Telowar, by [illegible] (Norris), 1; Blue Diamond, 8st (Russell), 2; Lord Magnet, 10st 2lb [illegible], 3. Other starters: Remark, 9st 3lb; Clinker, 9st; King Olaf, 8st 10lb; Girton Girl, 8st 5lb; Lady Gold, 8st 2lb; Pivot, 8st; Simmerline, 7st 5lb; Murat, 7st 2lb; Geraldine, 7st. Betting: 3 to 1 v Lord Magnet, 5 to 1 each v Lady Gold and King Olaf, 6 to 1 v Pivot, 7 to 1 each v Telowar and Simmerline, 10 to 1 v others. Won by two and a half lengths. Time, 1m 10½s.

Maiden Welter Handicap of 20 sovs, second 4 and third 1 sov from the prize, 5f.—J. Joyce's b g Lord Durden, by Cobbitty—Lady Durden, 6yrs, 8st 3lb (J. Jacques), 1; Lady Winton, 8st 6lb (Russell), 2; Reginald, 8st 7lb (Wood), 3. Other starters: Oscudor, 8st 12lb; Kilkenny, 8st 12lb; Aristocrat, 8st 12lb; Echo, 8st 12lb; Wirragella, 8st 12lb; Wilpon, 8st 12lb; First, 8st 12lb; King Edward, 8st 7lb; Barneyonte, 8st 5lb; Reward, 8st 5lb; Little Stranger, 8st 2lb; Fair Blarney, 8st; Wyong, 8st; Beaver, 8st; Oban, 8st; Spoilt Girl, 8st. Betting: 2 to 1 v Fair Blarney, 5 to 1 each v Lady Winton and Aristocrat, 7 to 1 each v Little Stranger and Lord Durden, 8 to 10 to 1 v others. Won by a length. Time, 1m 6s.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs from the prize, 5½f.—D. Tulloch's b m Report, by Churchill—Arbitress, aged, 7st 8lb (Norris), 1; Miss Mayfield, 8st 7lb (Carr), 2; Loongana, 8st 5lb (E. Williams), 3. Other starters: Boldie, 8st 11lb; Kardi, 8st 8lb; Warfare, 8st 3lb; Cymbeline, 8st 3lb; Gladstone, 8st; Prince Roy, 7st 12lb; Bluey, 7st 12lb; Allowrie, 7st 11lb; Lady White, 7st 9lb; Lady Preston, 7st 8lb; Cecil, 7st 7lb; Daphne, 7st 7lb; Pearl Beau, 7st 7lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v Cymbeline, 4 to 1 v Miss Mayfield, 5 to 1 v Kardi, 6 to 1 v Loongana, 7 to 1 v Report, 8 to 10 to 1 v others. Won by three lengths. Time, 1m 11s.

Thirteen-three Handicap of 25 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs from the prize, 4½f.—R. Robertson's ch g Cronulla, by Maribeau, 3yrs, 8st 7lb (Norris), 1; Beauty, 7st 11lb (Barnett), 2; Tigress, 7st 5lb (Somner), 3. Other starters: Lily B., 9st 5lb; True Love, 8st 11lb; Thelma, 8st 8lb; Lady Norah, 8st; Addie B., 8st; Trixy, 7st 5lb; Skydoo, 7st 5lb; My Nita, 7st 5lb. Betting: Even money on Cronulla, 4 to 1 v True Love, 5 to 1 each v Beauty and Thelma, 7 to 10 to 1 v others. Won by a length. Time, 1m 1¼s.

Encourage Stakes of 25 sovs, second 3, and third 1 sov from the prize, 5½f.—J. Hurst's br m Eureka Girl, by Wycombe—Goldstone, 6yrs, 7st 6lb (J. Jaques), 1; Paka, 8st 2lb (Norris) 2; St. Albans, 7st 12lb (Vick), 3. Other starters: Rossmore, 9st; Fearless, 8st 5lb; Harbour Light, 7st 2lb; Taree, 8st; Reviver, 7st 12lb; Chloris, 7st 12lb; Lucia, 7st 10lb; Listymore, 7st 10lb; Sweet Rosie, 7st 7lb; Lira, 7st 6lb; Gabo, 7st 6lb; Silver Progress, 7st 6lb; Lady Leaf, 7st 5lb; Miss Orril, 7st 5lb. Betting: 3 to 2 v Harbour Light, 4 to 1 v Paka, 5 to 1 each v Eureka Girl and Listymore, 7 to 10 to 1 v others. Won by half a length. Time, 1m 11½s.

Kensington Handicap of 75 sovs, second 10, and third 5 sovs from the prize, 1m.—H. Feehelly's b g Adam Bede, by Beauchamp (imp.)—Coral II., 6yrs, 7st 3lb (W. Jacques), 1; Sprightly, 7st 10lb (Russell), 2; Matador, 7st 12lb (Barnett), 3. Other starters: Merry Delaval, 8st 3lb; Telowar, 7st 12lb; Ennismore, 7st 11lb; Battler, 7st 8lb; Lady Mack, 7st 3lb; Royd, 7st; Snowden, 7st. Betting: 5 to 2 v Telowar, 3 to 1 v Merry Delaval, 5 to 1 each v Snowden and Sprightly, 6 to 1 v Matador, 7 to 1 v Adam Bede, 10 to 1 v others. Won by three lengths. Time, 1m 46½s.

TAMWORTH JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

The spring meeting of the above club opened to-day in fine weather, and there was a good attendance. Results:—

Course Handicap of 20 sovs, 6f.—W. Stringer's b g Eric, by Sir William—Heather, 4yrs, 7st 13lb (Woods), 1; H. J. Robinson's br m Olivia, 5yrs, 7st 9lb, incl. 5lb over (C. Barden), 2; W. Mascott's b m Country Girl, 5yrs, 8st 9lb, incl. 2lb over (F. M'Carthy), 3. Other starters: Queenie's Court, 8st 5lb; Lady Wilde, 8st 7lb; Simmereile, 7st 7lb. Betting: Even money on Queenie's Court, 5 to 1 v Olivia, 6 to 1 v Eric, 7 to 1 each v Simmereile, Lady Wilde, and Country Girl. Olivia led to the turn from Eric, who got up in the last few strides and won by a head, four lengths separating Olivia and Country Girl. Time, 1m 16½s.

Gidley Handicap of 20 sovs, 6f.—F. Langford's br m Plush, by Havoc—Velvet, 3yrs, 7st 4lb (A. Woods), 1; R. G. Kendall's b m Citrona, 3yrs, 7st 7lb (Mellwood), 2; B. J. Sweeney's br m Mona, 4yrs, 7st 10lb (C. Page), 3. Other starters: Dormaid, 9st 5lb; The Officer, 8st 2lb; The Gay Girl, 7st 10lb; Standbar, 7st 7lb; Chat-aranee, 7st 7lb; Nap, 7st 7lb; Ruby Tin, 7st 4lb. Betting: 4 to 1 v Dormaid, 5 to 1 each v The Officer, Plush, Gay Girl, Mona, Chat-aranee, and Citrona, 7 to 1 each v Nap and Ruby Tin, 10 to 1 v Standbar. In the straight the race looked like Citrona's, but Plush caught her on the post and won by a head, about three lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 16½s.

Spring Handicap of 40 sovs, second 5 sovs from the prize, 1m 1f.—J. L. Cushan's b m Miss Idalia, by The Sinner—Idalia, aged, 8st 2lb (Cushan), 1; W. Stringer's b g Eric, 4yrs, 8st 13lb, incl. 7lb penalty (Woods), 2; W. Mascott's ch g Triceps, 6yrs, 8st 12lb (Johns), 3. Other starters: Lady Wilde, 9st; Blackthorne, 7st 12lb; Cutaway, 7st 10lb; Wilde Girl, 6st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v Triceps, 3 to 1 v Eric, 4 to 1 v Miss Idalia, 5 to 10 to 1 v others. Miss Idalia led past the stand, but was soon displaced by Lady Wilde, who showed the way from Wilde Girl, Blackthorne being last. At the six-furlong post the leading positions were Lady Wilde, Cutaway, Wilde Girl, Eric, Triceps, Miss Idalia, and Blackthorn. Triceps moved up at the half-mile, and at the turn Cutaway led from Eric and Miss Idalia, but the latter took charge in the straight and won by a length, the same distance separating Eric and Triceps. Time, 1m 58 1-5s.

Country Handicap of 20 sovs, 6f.—F. Marsden's b m Fairy Lock, by Lochaber—Fairy, 6yrs, 7st (Hall), 1; W. Mascott's b m Country Girl, 5yrs, 7st 7lb (Woods), 2; T. Newman's b g The Officer, 6yrs, 8st 12lb (A. M'Carthy), 3. Other starters: Lady Havoc, 8st 7lb; Rugby, 8st; Con. Casey, 7st 6lb; Celerity, 7st 6lb; Una, 7st 2lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v Lady Havoc, 3 to 1 v Fairy Lock, 5 to 1 each v Country Girl, Rugby, Celerity, Con. Casey, and Una. Country Girl led into the straight, where she was headed by Fairy Lock, who won by three-quarters of a length, two and a half lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 16½s.

Moonbi Handicap of 20 sovs, 7f.—T. J. Thompson's ch h Waterworks, by Eiridspord—Carpen, aged, 9st (M'Carthy), 1; C. Callinan's b m Chat-aranee, 3 yrs, 7st 10lb (Wadduts), 2; L. Jurd's br m Truth, aged, 8st (Mellwood), 3. Other starters: Uella, 11st; Algue, 8st 7lb; Ruby Tin, 7st 7lb; Lady Gretchen, 7st 7lb. Betting: Even money on Waterworks. Won in a canter by six lengths, half-length between second and third. Time, 2m 2s.

BRISBANE JOCKEY CLUB.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Brisbane Jockey Club races took place to-day in fine weather, and there was a fair attendance. The sum of £432 passed through the totalisator. The race for the principal event resulted as follows:—

Park Handicap, 1m.—King Olaf, 8st 5lb (Rogers), 1; Lulu, 8st 2lb (Molloy), 2; Villager, 7st (Bryant), 3. Other starters: Lismore, Sir Patrick, The Knight, Antarctic. Betting: 2 to 1 v King Olaf, 3 to 1 v Villager, 4 to 1 each v Sir Patrick and Lulu, 10 to 1 v others. Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 47s. Div.: 14s.

N.S.W. TROTTING CLUB.

The following handicaps have been declared for the meeting to be held on Tuesday:—

Trial Handicap, 1m.—*Toxie S., scr.; *Trixie II., *Proba, 3s; *Mocking Bird, 4s; †Emperor, †Tunera, †Barmeguie, †Lady Strathfield, †J.W.A., 8s; Sister, 8s beh.

Pony Handicap, 1m.—†*The Queen, scr; *Minnie, 3s bhd; †Sinn Fein (late Rockilly), †J.E., 8s; Schemer (late Trilby), †Cecil, 9s; Dearest, †Officer, 18s; Major Hall, 25s beh.

Flying Handicap, 1m.—†Lady W., †Odesnut, scr; Melba, †Mummell Chiedet, †Lady Bird, 1s; Presentation, 2s; Major Hall, 4s; Lady Julian, 9s; Euchre, 11s.

Ascot Handicap, 1½m.—‡Dick B., Combo, ‡Eva, San Toy, scr; ‡Come-by-Chance, ‡Bori, 4s; ‡Odesnut, 5s; ‡Lady Bird, Melba, John Cleve, 6s; Talbragar, 8s beh.

Trotting Club Handicap, 1m.—†Baywood, Mocking Bird, Neurea, †Barmeguie, †Dick B., scr; †Tuxia, 3s; †Sadowa, 5s; Mary Maid, 6s; Patrick G., 8s; Trudgen, San Toy, †Eva, 9s behind.

† Inclusive of 3s amateur concession.
‡ Inclusive of 4s amateur concession.
* Inclusive of 5s allowance for being unhoppled.

ROSEHILL RACING CLUB.

KING'S BIRTHDAY MEETING.

The following entries have been received for the King's Birthday Meeting on the 11th and 16th prox:—

FIRST DAY.

Birthday Handicap, 6½f.—Musquet, Swallow, Pearl Ash, Melodeon, Aragain, Golderite, Richard, Far North, Simora.

Alexandra Stakes, 6f.—My Pan, Stoessel, Ambassador, Miss Kingsley, Hildebrook, Nangroo, Vada, Claydon Common, Sulu, Ben Buckley, Guid Man, Furie, Hadnurb.

Jumpers' Flat Race, 1½m.—Hardiace, Roenalf II., Sea Gold, Eskbank, Cutaway, Scapegrace, Old John, Phrixus, Blue Streak, W.A.

High-weight Handicap, 6f.—Soleil, Astron, Athol Nelson, West Key, Bushgrove, Dalrymple, Percival, Smart, Athens, Jute, Simora.

King's Handicap, 1m 3f.—Refrain, Miss Noble, Aragain, Clarenza, Lady Wilde, The Shades, Amphora, Hesper, The Palmist, Dora Grey.

Royal Stakes, 1m.—Simper, Lady Grace, Bushgrove, Mary F., Set Free, Tom Mack, Pegar, Uella, Miss Muriel, Flint, Lochnan, Pearl Ash, Ben Buckley, Guid Man, Furie, Samurai, Gwydir, Fez.

SECOND DAY.

Maiden Handicap, 6f.—Adios, Soleil, br f by Sir Tristram—Violet, Wee Lassie, Jolly Kate, Gerah, Hautaway, Carl Zena, L'Aiglon, Bushgrove, Septic, Hildebrook, Mandalay, Miss Muriel, Oreel, Claude, Loftus, Flourine, Shining Light, Sulu, Versailles, Ben Buckley, Guid Man, Simora.

Nursery Stakes, 4½f.—Menteith, Yellow Star, Maid Merton, Poser, Contango, Glade, Little Heathen, Malt Queen, Trenchmore, Matchmaker, Gipsy Jack, Barrasie, Tristram, King Mark, Love Lord, Posi.

November Handicap, 1m.—Aragain, Golderite, Uella, Vada, Flint, Richard, Lady Florence, Shiloh, Montcalm, Hesper, The Palmist, Grafton Lad, Fez.

Flying Welter Handicap, 6f.—Astron, Margalong, My Pan, Ambassador, Athol Nelson, Swallow, Melodeon, Carl Zena, Adora, Tristeria, Septic, Oreel, Athens, Far North, Miratio, Felicia, Jute, Simora, Hadnurb, W.A.

Rosehill Handicap, 1½m.—Refrain, Musquet, Wat Bee, Lady Grace, Bushgrove, Zenda, Miss Noble, Tom Mack, Clarenza, Caesar, Lady Wilde, Lochan, The Shades, Souffriere, Sea Gold, Shiloh, Amphora, Dora Grey.

Club Handicap, 1m.—Adios, Astron, Simper, Mary F., Percival, Smart, Uella, Tristeria, Claude Loftus, Lochan, Claydon Common, Ben Buckley, Guid Man, Samurai, Gwydir, Neirbo, Blue Streak, Belfry.

CLARENCE RIVER JOCKEY CLUB.

NOVEMBER MEETING.

The following are the nominations for the principal handicaps in connection with the Clarence River J.C. Meeting next month:—

November Handicap.—Ophir, Orfano, Amicus, Ample (late Abundance), Barney, Assam, Lorgnette, Good Shot, Claris, Fuchsia (late Nona), May Blaise, Clio, Miss Welcome, Viscount.

King's Birthday Handicap.—Ophir, Orfano, Ample, Barney, Assam, Lorgnette, Good Shot, Clio, Miss Welcome, Viscount, Corain, Lady Hopetoun.

GOLF.

COOMA G. C.

The final rounds for the president's trophies in connection with the Cooma Club were played off during the week, the aggregates of the four best monthly cards of the monthly handicaps being as follows:—

R. D. Voss	413—29=384
G. W. Ord	393—6=387
G. Marshal	408—20=388
W. J. Wiseman	434—42=392
H. M. Blomfield	439—44=395
Associate Members.	
Miss M. Backhouse	510—23=487
Mrs. Galbraith	502—9=493
Miss L. Perkins	508—12=496

GOULBURN G. C.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

A bogey competition resulted as follows:—
R. R. Payten, plus 1, 2 up.
W. H. C. Ranken, hcp. 1, 1 down.
H. Payten, plus 1, 3 down.
J. Coll, hcp. 5, 3 down.
H. J. Kelso, hcp. 5, 4 down.

CRICKET.

W. W. ARMSTRONG.

Doubt has been expressed as to whether Warwick Armstrong, the stalwart Victorian, would be able to take part in the season's big matches. In view thereof it is gratifying to learn from Mr. J. B. Wood, with whom Mr. Armstrong is in partnership as stock and station agents, that the famous all-round cricketer will play right through this season, and will go home with the next Australian Eleven if selected. "It would be a pity," writes Mr. Wood, "for him to give up cricket now that he is at the top of the tree."

PUBLIC SCHOOLS v MIDDLE HARBOUR.

The team to represent the Public Schools against Middle Harbour at Manly on November 9 and 11 are:—Norman, Holdsworth, and Turner (Cleveland-street), Cupitt (Paddington), Landon, Adamson, and Woolcott (Fort-street), Blundell, Law, and Cordon (Petersham), Fusedale (Crown-street), Tailbee (Petersham) 12th. The boys will be captained by Mr. James Searle.

LAWN TENNIS.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS' TOURNAMENT.

This tournament will be resumed on Saturday, at the Stanmore Club's ground. The tournament will commence with the second round of gentlemen's singles. The following is the draw:—9.15 a.m., Ewing v Lobban; 9.45, Back v Doyle; 10.15, Lee v Hammond; 10.45, Patrick v Mahony; 11.15, O'Ryan v Bentley. Starr, Jeffries, and Simms byes.

The ladies' singles will commence at 10, Miss Bassett (6) v Miss Marden (scr); 10.30, Miss Hurst (6) v Miss Murphy (4). In order that no further byes will be necessary in subsequent rounds, the remaining ladies in the competition have been awarded byes. The handicaps for others are:—Mrs. Spencer (7), Miss Deer (8), Miss M. Deer (6), Miss A. Murphy (8), Miss Mobbs (6), Miss Wales (4).

In the mixed doubles, the following are the handicaps:—Hammond and Miss Free, scr; O'Ryan and Miss M. Deer, 4; Monaghan and Miss Wales, 4; Mackinnon and Miss Collings, 6; Lee and Miss Marden, 6; Deer and Miss Deer, 6; Sherring and Miss Walker, 8; Edmonds and Miss Hurst, 6.

On Saturday the following mixed doubles will be decided, commencing at 9.15:—Deer and Miss Deer (6) v Sherring and Miss Walker (8), Monaghan and Miss Wales (4) v Mackinnon and Miss Collings.

SWIMMING.

SYDNEY CLUB.

The first Wednesday afternoon handicap of the above club, 50yds, was held at the Domain Baths yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large number of spectators. A good afternoon's racing resulted as follows:—First heat: R. Hill, 7s, 1; J. D'Arcy, 7s, 2; H. Hardwick, scr, 3. Time, 30s. Second heat: F. B. Hikko, 4s, 1; J. Hamilton, 11s, 2; F. Fitts, scr, 3. Time, 28s. Third heat: D. A. Rostock, 7s, 1; M. Duffy, 2s, 2; H. Drew, 3s, T. Heplan, 8s, 3. Time, 31s. Final: F. B. Hikko, 4s, 1; D. A. Rostock, 7s, 2; R. Hill, 7s, 3. Time, 27s.

SAILING.

BALMAIN REGATTA.

The committee of the regatta have now practically completed their task, and the 58th anniversary, which is listed for King's Birthday, will be held in Iron Cove on November 11. Not only are the sailing, rowing, and motor fraternity catered for, but on this occasion an innovation is provided by the inclusion of a first-class water display by the Sea Gull Club, Rubiana Divers, and the Manly Comiques, which will be given from the side of the flagship. Other items include the Sobraon boys' race, gig and dingy chase, tub race, and walking the greasy pole for a greasy pig. The merchant service has been provided by a "ships' gig race." Entries for sailing events are coming in well, the undermentioned having entered to date, viz.:—All yachts: Culwulla, Fleetwing, and White Wings. Sailing skiffs (handicap): Osprey, Aubrey. Sailing skiffs: Boronia, Madge, Idea, and Unique. All boats (18ft handicap): Boronia, Madge, Idea, Unique, Vera, Osprey, and Meta. All cruisers: Adelphi. Dingies (a.m.), 10ft handicap: Jessie, Estell, and Olga; Dingies (p.m.): Jessie, Estell, and Olga. General handicap: Vera. The rowing entries promise to be a record. Entries close at 9.30 p.m. on Saturday at the city office, Queensland-chambers, 18 Bridge-street, city.

The Pittwater regatta, to be held on February 1, is attracting interest not only locally, but among the aquatic community. The chief event will be the champion race for 16-foot boats, and for this a trophy of 10 guineas has been given by the patron, Mr. N. H. Murray, while the committee have added £20. The conditions are:—Trophy to be won straight out, all boats sailing under P.J.S.S. rules.

AN INFECTIOUS RASH.

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Among the illustrations appearing in the "Sydney Mail" this week there are several of the International Rifle Match, as follows:—The Teams in the Empire Match, General Hoad and W. Cutler, The Running Man in Action, and many other striking pictures.—Advt.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

OUR STATE SYSTEM.

MUNICIPALISM AT WORK.

ALIGNMENTS IN MUNICIPAL AREAS.

A question of great importance to municipal councils came up at Paddington recently. The Municipal Council of Paddington proceeded against Mr. Royle for having erected a building which encroached on the footpath. The question of the alignment of Glebe-street, Paddington, was the principal issue raised. Mr. Royle, it appears, had brought forward his building to the building line of the adjacent premises. The council claimed that this went over the building alignment and on to the footpath; the defendant claimed that he had built to the recognised building line, and that if he was wrong, all the other buildings adjoining his new building were encroaching, too.

CONFUSION IN OLD BOROUGHS.

There is no doubt much confusion exists in this matter of alignment, especially in regard to some of the old boroughs. In the old towns and boroughs which were aligned in the sixties, in many instances, if not in all, no field book is to be found showing that a plan was made by a surveyor from a survey of the ground. Many of the old plans are not signed by a surveyor at all. This suggests that the plans were compiled and plotted from local information. Few of them, if any, show the location of the alignment posts, and few of them have bearings. Under these circumstances, it seems impossible from the plans to ascertain the correct alignment of the streets.

SECTION 194, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT.

The decision was given against the defendant, who was fined for the encroachment, with a continuing penalty for every day that he had failed, after notice, to remove the encroachment. The ground of the decision, it appears, was that it was impossible, in the confusion of plans, and of the technical evidence pro and con, to declare the alignment; but the fact having been proved on behalf of the council that the land encroached upon had been asphalted by the council and used as a footpath, then section 194 of the Local Government Act became effective. This section says that in a prosecution by a council for trespass, etc, on streets and footpaths, it shall not be necessary to prove the alignment of the street or footpath. If the place is a thoroughfare of the nature of a street or footpath, and is so used by the public, that is sufficient; and upon that being shown the offence was declared proved in the Paddington case.

PUBLIC ROADS ACT, 1902.

This case raises a question which may soon become of grave importance. Many old buildings in areas are getting in a state of decay. When on the decay of the buildings which, in fact, encroach on the footpath as now laid, and on the footpath as properly aligned, or when those buildings fall or are taken down, and are being replaced, a council attempts to put the new buildings on the proper alignment, the difficulty of proving what is the proper alignment is experienced. This is a mater which may cause widespread difficulty in many municipal areas. It may be a matter of consideration for councils which may not have certainty of alignment, notwithstanding the provision of section 194 of the Local Government Act, whether they should not take advantage of the provisions of the Public Roads Act of 1902.

REALIGNMENT OF STREETS AND PLACES.

That useful measure provides that, on the application of a council the Minister may cause the carriage-ways and footways in any street or public place in a municipal area to be surveyed, set out, and defined, and a plan thereof to be prepared and approved. The effect of this approval when gazetted, is to make such plan conclusive evidence "for all purposes," of the limits and boundaries of the street or place, and of the carriage and foot ways set out and defined according to the plan.

MARTIN-PLACE, SYDNEY.

The removal of the scaffolding from the fine building erected by the Sydney University in Martin-place, allows the visitor to see what a splendid open space this and Moore-street make. Already in these columns the wrongful use made of this fine central "plaza" has been pointed out. It is an offence against the city to degrade this space by using it as a cab-stand, and even a greater outrage to use it as a van stand. Our finest central space, which ought to be treated as a garden space, with trees, plots of green and shrubbery, fountains, and a band-stand, is degraded with a mews and a huge stable, from which horse refuse and chaff are blown about the city to aggravate the dust nuisance. In these days of telephones there is certainly no necessity for vans to stand in a street. Another point to note is that, by reason of divided control, the City Council has no voice in this gross misuse of Moore-street and Martin-place. The Traffic Commission, which is a branch of the Police Department, is responsible. By judicious ornamentation and proper lighting and use, this space might be made the central attraction of open-air summer life in Sydney. There should be refreshment rooms and bands and other attractions, and the place should be extended through to Macquarie-street.

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THE PROBLEM OF DUST.

It would appear that the problem of dust, which is a vexed question now in Sydney and in the various municipal centres throughout N.S.W., is not an exclusive local possession. Mr. Gordon, our city surveyor, at times of general imprecation upon his department, may extract consolation from the fact that public health authorities and civic engineers all over the world are troubled with the same problem, and are doing their best to solve it. The sanitary and engineering journals of Britain not only discuss the problem almost continuously, but competitions are entered upon in which some of the best road engineers in Britain are competitors as to the best scientific means of mitigating the evil.

COUNTRY MUNICIPALITIES.

In a dry climate like ours the difficulties of dust mitigation are greater than in winter countries where the atmosphere is humid and moist, rainfalls are more frequent, and other factors, such as snow, enter into the problem. The authorities seem agreed at present on one thing—one thing only—viz., that a well-constructed road gives less dust than any other. Given all the factors which make a good road—the best of material, the foundation, and the wearing surface properly laid, the shape and convexity just right—if these are all present in the original construction the dust producing elements will be minimised. The road engineers who are now at work in the new shire areas and the old municipalities are as anxiously exercised on the subject of dust as the city surveyor. In fact, in the suburban areas the dust nuisance, while equally as bad as in the city (and adding to the city nuisance), has not anything like the vigorous treatment applied to it which we find in the city. Every country road is a problem for the local engineer; but in the town areas it is more acute and more mitigable by skilful treatment.

COUNSELS OF PERFECTION.

In looking through the competition papers in the "Public Health Engineer," the reader is struck with the fact that large and airy counsels of perfection are more in evidence than practical directions for mitigation. Among the reasons for bad dust here are emphasised—(1) drainage from adjacent lands and the question of surface contour have been overlooked; (2) the bedding of the roads have been "jerry-built;" (3) carelessness and "slop-work" in binding must disappear; (4) the "grouting" of the road is vital, and must be looked to; (5) steam rollers are ruinous unless the road is built to sustain the weight. One authority pronounces oiling by petroleum and other oils as "a cloak rather than a cure" for dust. Mixed with bituminous ingredients good results may be obtained, as "a more durable skin," it appears, is produced on the road. Distilled tar is being more freely used in Sydney than formerly: and Mr. Gordon, the city surveyor, pins his faith to it.

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CAMPERDOWN AND THE CITY.

Some months ago certain members of the Newtown Municipal Council went into spasms of indignation because it had been stated in these columns that there was no possible hope of Newtown undertaking the financial obligations of the absorption of the borough of Camperdown (in liquidation). What was asserted at that time has turned out to be true. The Newtown Council has failed to take on the amalgamation. Camperdown is now wooing the City Corporation again, in which body it will find many friends ready to kill the fatted calf, and prepare for the reception of the prodigal borough, which has literally been "herding with swine" in its sanitary arrangements for some time past.

ALIGNMENT OF CAMPERDOWN.

One of the proposals which the Camperdonians found hard to swallow was one which insisted that the scheme for absorption by Sydney must have a provision "for a new alignment of the narrow streets of the borough, so that no new building shall be erected less than 33ft from the centre of the streets." Lord Mayor Hughes may be relied on to see that this elementarily necessary condition will be made precedent to any change. The Legislature, since the former negotiations were broken off, has passed a provision in the Local Government Act of 1906, viz., section 18, so that all the machinery is provided by means of which the amalgamation may take place after certain formalities are observed. One of the conditions in the Act is that a creditor, a ratepayer, or a council of Sydney or Camperdown may make written representations on the subject of the amalgamation, and a poll of the "electors" concerned may be taken by a council on petition from one-fifth such electors." By the way, it may be as well here to draw attention to the fact that, as there is no such thing as an "elector" known to the law in the City Corporation area (Inner Sydney), it would seem superficially that a poll could only be taken in Camperdown, and not in Sydney, where only "citizens" vote. This may be regarded, however, as an unduly captious criticism; but it may furnish a real difficulty.

"Ratepayer:" The rate is due and payable on the expiration of the time fixed in the notice served on you, if such time is not less than 30 days after the date of service. The council can certainly enforce payment of the rates, if due, and the provisions as to notice, etc., have been complied with; but where there are special circumstances councils usually allow some latitude when requested. No doubt a greater diligence will be exercised in rate collecting under the new law, as the outstanding rates evil was a distinct blot on the administration under the old Act.

[In our last issue, in referring to the case of Macpherson versus Borough of Bathurst, the Chief Justice of that day was given as Sir Frederick Darley. It was, in fact, the late Sir James Martin who made the observations quoted.]

Ajax inquires:—Q.: "(1) What is the improved capital value of vacant land? (If there is no I.C.V. the vacant land would not be liable to an additional general rate on the I.C.V.)" A.: The improved capital value of land is defined by the Act as "the amount of the capital sum for which the fee simple estate of the land, with all improvements and buildings thereon, would sell under such reasonable conditions of sale as a bona-fide seller would require." Where there are no improvements or buildings on the land itself, the value of the immediate block is made by the improvements on the land in the neighbourhood or district; and the valuer will have no difficulty in computing the probable amount which a bona-fide sale would yield under reasonable conditions of sale.

Q.: "(2) Section 151 (subsection 6) gives the maximum of general and additional general rates. Would this maximum be taken to refer to individual properties and individual parcels of ratable land, or to the whole area of the municipality?" A.: It seems clear that this maximum refers to the whole area of the municipality.

ORAL TENANCY DECLARATIONS.

A correspondent sends a circular issued at Bathurst, which furnishes a useful way of arousing those oral tenancy occupiers who may remain apathetic in regard to making the declaration necessary to secure their enrolment and avoid disfranchisement. There is time up to November 14 to have these declarations taken. After that it will be a matter for the Revision Court. Here is the circular:—

"To the Electors of South Ward, Bathurst, October 26, 1907.

"Dear Sir,—

"Under the Amended Municipalities Act you are now entitled to a vote in the coming municipal elections, and we take this opportunity of urging you to see that the paper left with you by Mr. P. Stapleton (roll collector) is filled in and signed during the coming week. We would point out that it is absolutely necessary to sign these papers in order to secure a vote as a householder, but this does not in any way make you liable for the payment of rates or any other municipal charge.

"In order to assist householders, by giving information or filling in the declaration forms if necessary, it has been arranged that Mr. John Boyd, J.P., and a committee of gentlemen will be in attendance at the Good Templars' Hall, Havannah-street, on Tuesday and Friday nights next, at 8 o'clock.

"We trust you will not let the opportunity of securing your vote slip, but will avail yourself of the services of the committee by attending at the hall on either of the evenings named.

"We are, yours, etc.,

"W. J. M'PHILLAMY.
"THOS PERRY.
"H. P. CLAIG."

THE POLICE FORCE.

CRITICISMS IN PARLIAMENT.

INSPECTOR-GENERAL IN REPLY.

Yesterday the Inspector-General of Police (Mr. Garvin) denied having ever said to Mr. Clark, the member for North Sydney, that he had wanted men in the police force who would "make criminals."

"My career in the police force for the last 45 years is too well known for anyone to believe that I would make a statement of the kind," said Mr. Garvin; "and if it came to my knowledge that any constable was guilty of such a reprehensible practice, he would not be retained in the service a single day.

"What I insist upon is this, when robberies are committed I expect the police to do all they can to bring the offenders to justice, and recover the stolen property. And I shall do this whilst I hold my position. I scrutinise personally the crime reports for the whole State, and they are sent back for re-investigation if I am not satisfied with the steps already taken.

"It is altogether a fallacy to assert that the police receive promotion for arrests of persons charged with minor offences; indeed, I am against arrests being made for petty offences when they can be dealt with by summons. If I had given any such stupid instructions to my officers there would very soon be an outcry by them. I don't believe that there is any police force run on straighter lines than the New South Wales service, and it can stand any amount of investigation.

"Suppose I had vacancies to promote two senior constables as sergeants, and two sergeants as senior sergeants, I would notify the metropolitan superintendent, and instruct him to notify divisional officers, and obtain recommendations from each of the fittest men in the division. Upon receipt of these recommendations by the superintendent, he would notify me, and I would then request him to call a meeting of his officers, at which each man's claim would be gone into by him and the 13 divisional officers. The record sheet of each man recommended would be produced, and the fittest and most deserving would then be nominated to me in a recommendation by the superintendent. Those best qualified in all respects, having adaptability for the position, would be selected.

"The instructions issued by me in February, 1904, read as follows:—'In making recommendations for promotion due regard will always be paid to long service and good conduct, but efficiency must be the first and main consideration. Preference should invariably be given to those who have evinced superior intelligence, promptitude, zeal, and general efficiency in the discharge of their duties. In other words, those best qualified in all respects, and having adaptability for the position, must be selected. While seniority is not to be lost sight of, merit is to be the principal consideration. Officers in charge of divisions or sub-districts should make recommendations to their superintendents, who should be most careful to select for submission the names of those who are best qualified in every respect for advancement. There should be no feelings of good nature in the matter, but the very best men in every particular only should be chosen. The qualifications of those recommended should be stated as regards service, education, age, and fitness to command men. Police desirous of advancement have plenty of opportunities of attracting the notice of their superiors by some action evidencing zeal, ability, and judgment, by strict attention to duty, sobriety, smart appearance, respectful demeanour, etc.

"If you can show me anything fairer than that I am prepared to come and learn. Just one other word: There is no political influence in this department, and never will be whilst I am here."

DENTAL DIPLOMAS.

The monthly meeting of the Dental Board of New South Wales was held on Monday evening. Dr. H. Peach (president) occupied the chair. The following alteration was made in regulations as suggested by the president:—

That regulation No. 34, together with amending regulation gazetted on August 15, 1906, be repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

The following are the certificates, diplomas, membership degrees, licenses, letters, titles, testimonials, statutes, or documents which will be recognised by the board under sections 11 and 12 of the Dentists Act:—

The license or diploma of any legally qualified dental board, or other body which permits its holder to practise dentistry in the State or country in which it was obtained, and which has been granted, after—

(a) Examination in general education satisfactory to the board, and not lower than that demanded of dental board students.
(b) Four years' study of dentistry.
(c) Examination satisfactory to the board in all the subjects required under the regulation for board students (35).

Students who have left New South Wales for the purpose of studying in foreign schools previous to January 1, 1908, will be required to comply only with the repealed regulation.

METHODIST CHURCH.

SYDNEY DISTRICT SYNOD.

A ministerial session of the synod was commenced in the Centenary Hall yesterday, under the presidency of Rev. John Penman.

The probationers, Messrs. E. E. Hynes and S. W. Bonnor, were recommended to be advanced a year in their probation.

CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

Messrs. Smith, Dundbar, Wedge, and Kleindienst were recommended as candidates for the ministry.

Rev. Jos. Albiston, of the Victorian conference, was welcomed to the synod, and permission given to attend its sessions.

Rev. H. Jones, a supernumerary, was recommended to the conference for employment in the regular work of the ministry.

A representative session was held at 2 p.m.

In considering the question, "What circuits are under obligation to provide for a married minister at the ensuing conference?" it was agreed that in the event of Balmain (Darling-street) remaining a separate circuit exemption be granted.

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS.

The following circuits asked for an additional minister to be appointed at the ensuing conference: Willoughby and Gordon, and Burwood.

Rev. J. E. Carruthers was elected to accompany the chairman as representative at the ensuing conference. Rev. W. H. Beale was elected substitute representative.

The amounts raised in each circuit in aid of the Home and Foreign Missions were passed under review, and discussion followed on the line of improving the income of these societies.

The synod resolved that grants on the basis of the annual income be granted to the South Sydney, Balmain (West End), Drummoyne, and Glebe circuits. A special grant was voted to the Rev. E. E. Hynes.

Rev. J. G. M. Taylor, and Messrs. R. H. Ducker and F. Over were elected representatives of the synod to the distribution committee of the ensuing conference.

COLLEGES.

The report of the college was read by the secretary of the synod, Rev. E. E. Crosby, B.A., and indicated a prosperous year. The high tone of the school, as well as the intellectual and athletic achievements of the pupils, was referred to with satisfaction.

The ladies' college report was also read, which spoke of encouraging position and prospects. Both reports were adopted.

The management and matter of the "Methodist" was also discussed.

The synod adjourned until this evening.

PARRAMATTA.

KATOOMBA, Wednesday.

The ministerial section of the Parramatta synod commenced on Tuesday in the Methodist Church. The Rev. W. H. Williams, of Camden, presided. The Rev. F. E. Fletcher, M.A., was elected secretary, and the Rev. J. H. Lewin assistant. A telegram conveying good wishes was received from the Rev. J. F. Russell, Church of England. Dispensations of absence were granted to the Revs. C. E. Waters, H. Jones, R. M. Laverty, K. A. Corner, J. Ashmead, and A. Cooper. The continuation of the Rev. Mr. Laverty and the Rev. Mr. Jones as supernumeraries was remitted to the conference. The Revs. W. M. Robson and C. T. Lusby were advanced in their probation. The Revs. A. Cooper and W. H. Howard are due for removal at the conference. The Rev. F. J. Branch, of Mudgee, has accepted an invitation to Parramatta. The synod was entertained at tea by the ladies of the Katoomba Church. The representative session met to-day at 9.30 a.m. Ministers were joined by the lay representatives. The Rev. G. C. Percival moved and it was resolved—"That owing to difficulties occasioned in the Homebush circuit by developments in the Burwood circuit, consequent on the action of the last conference, it is recommended that the conference direct quarterly meetings to confer during the year with a view to the readjustment of the boundaries, and to report to the synod of 1908 and the conference of 1909." The following circuits were recommended for exemption from the obligation to take additional married ministers: Granville, Camden, Homebush. An additional minister was recommended to Ryde. The general Sunday school and Christian Endeavour returns were presented, showing increases. The property report showed an expansion, with a large decrease of the debt. It was unanimously recommended that an additional minister take exclusive charge of the home mission department of the sustentation society.

BATHURST.

MUDGEE, Wednesday.

The annual session of the Methodist Synod of the Bathurst district resumed its sitting to-day. The financial synod met this morning, when the lay representatives from various circuits took their seats. The chairman welcomed the lay members, and spoke also of the magnitude of the work to be done by the Methodist Church. Mr. G. Whalan, of Bathurst, suitably replied on behalf of the laymen. It was resolved, on the motion of the Rev. T. J. Branch, seconded by Mr. W. Kellett, to recommend to the conference that the Mudgee circuit be divided, and that the new circuit, to be called the Gulgong circuit, embrace Gulgong, Dunedoo, Elong, Sandy Creek, Two-Mile Flat, Tallawong, Leadville, Coolah, and Canadian. It was recommended also that the following places be transferred from the Mudgee circuit to Hill End Home Mission circuit:—Clarke's Creek, Hargraves, Forest Lodge, Grattai, Maitland Bar, Upper Meroo, and Upper Pyramul. The following circuits, due to take a married instead of a single minister, were recommended for exemption:—Lithgow (second minister), Bourke, Coonamble, and Wilcannia. It was resolved that the synod recommend the Coonamble quarterly meeting to do its utmost to secure a lay agent for Gilgandra. The Rev. W. Atkinson was appointed to accompany the chairman to the stationing committee of the conference, with the Rev. F. C. Boyer as substitute. The Rev. F. Duesbury and Messrs. Streatfield and W. Kellett were elected to attend the distribution committee.

GLEN INNES.

GLEN INNES, Wednesday.

The Methodist district synod assembled here yesterday for the first time, when representatives from Tamworth, Tenterfield, Glen Innes, Inverell, Manilla, Gunnedah, Uralla, Narrabri, Boggabri, Moree, and Barraba were present, and to whom the Rev. J. C. Hall, as chairman, extended a hearty welcome. Much of the business of the day was of a routine order. To-day the synod met at 10 o'clock. Moree and Narrabri circuits were recommended for exemption from the obligation to take a married minister. It was recommended to the conference that Nundle be constituted a home mission station, and placed under the direction of the Home Mission Society. The statistical returns presented set forth a satisfactory state of affairs, the attendants at the various churches in the district being set down at 7136. The Rev. W. Pearson was elected as representative to the stationary committee, and the Rev. W. Wall elected as substitute representative.

ILLAWARRA.

KIAMA, Wednesday.

The financial session of the Illawarra synod was commenced at the Methodist Church, Kiama, this morning. A sympathetic reference was made to the heavy loss sustained by the Methodist connexion through the death of leading ministers, and it was resolved—"That this synod mourns the decease of the Revs. M. H. George McLarke and Colin Blezard, and extends deepest sympathy with the bereaved families." Alteration of circuit boundaries were discussed, and it was resolved that Wollongong and Helensburgh circuit boundaries remain as at present, and that the synod directs that Scarborough, Clifton, and Stanwell Park be worked by the Helensburgh circuit. It was resolved that in consequence of the minister in charge of the Helensburgh circuit being unable for want of local preachers to travel to the various churches and preaching places, the synod strongly recommended that a grant be made by the Sustentation and Home Missionary Society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of obtaining help for Sunday services. The Rev. M. H. Rogers was appointed to accompany the chairman as representative to the stationing committee in conference, and the Rev. W. McCallum was appointed substitute representative. The Rev. Joseph Hopkins and Messrs. W. J. Wiseman and T. Armstrong were appointed representatives on the distribution committee. The synod recommended that the Helensburgh circuit be granted exemption from taking a married minister this year. The following circuits made application for a grant on the basis of the balance-sheet submitted, viz., Kiama, Berry, Milton, Cobargo, and Helensburgh. The applications in each case were recommended. It was resolved that having considered the communication from the executive committee re the appointment of the ministerial assistant to the general secretary of the Sustentation and Home Missionary Society, the synod recommends (1) that the property and financial affairs of the society be placed under the special and exclusive care of the general secretary; (2) that an additional minister be appointed to the Home Mission department society, who shall be charged with organising general efforts in the interests of the said department, provided the appointment of such second minister shall not be made unless the conference is satisfied that there is reasonable expectation of an increase from from voluntary sources in the annual income of the society equal in amount to cover the entire cost of the new arrangement." It was resolved—"That having considered the communication from the theological institution the committee respecting the erection of a theological institution, and the matter of raising the amount necessary for the maintenance of the said institution, this synod, while sympathising in the main with the recommendations of the committee, considers that the present time is inopportune for appealing for the necessary funds. The synod recommended that pending the erection of a theological institution a suitable house be rented and a supernumerary minister be placed in charge as house governor."

MAITLAND.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The Methodist Synod sat again to-day, the Rev. F. Colwell (Newcastle) presiding. It was reported that the Rev. J. Scharkie had been invited to remain a fourth year in his circuit, which had been accepted conditionally. The Rev. E. Crozier is being invited to Mudgee. Messrs. G. A. Burgess, H. M'Gowen, and J. W. Symonds were unanimously recommended to the next conference for acceptance as ministers. The financial synod met. After discussion it was resolved to recommend to the conference that the Murrurundi-Quirindi circuit be divided, sending a single minister from Quirindi to Murrurundi, and a married minister from Murrurundi to Quirindi. The Manning River circuit asked for exemption from being obliged to take a second married minister in lieu of the single minister now residing there. It was pointed out that the appointment of a second minister would make it financially impossible to employ a circuit missionary now engaged in that circuit. The request will be sent as a recommendation to the conference. Kurri Kurri circuit was recommended to consider at the December quarterly meeting the advisability of applying to the conference for a probationary minister. The Newcastle Central Mission asked to be relieved of the second minister so as to engage an effective organising secretary. The synod agreed to send the request as a recommendation to the conference. Reports were presented by the Rev. W. Stewart on statistical returns for the district, and by the Rev. F. W. Hynes concerning Sunday-schools. There was a long discussion on matters pertaining to the more effective working of Sunday-schools, especially as it related to the conference Sunday-school department, and gratitude was expressed for the increase in church membership.

MURRAY WATERS AGREEMENT.

The agreement arrived at by representatives of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia concerning the Murray River, and its use for irrigation purposes, was referred to in the Legislative Assembly last evening.

Mr. SCOBIE asked the Premier if he was aware that the Victorian Premier was making arrangements to take a large volume of water from the Murray; and if he would give the House an opportunity of discussing the Murray Waters Bill at an early date.

Mr. M'GOWEN asked if, pursuant to an agreement arrived at between Victoria, South Australia, and New South Wales, the two first named States had gone on with the necessary legislation, and New South Wales had backed out of the agreement or postponed it.

The PREMIER replied that the New South Wales Government had not backed out of anything. In South Australia and Victoria the Parliaments had been in session for three months. The Parliament in this State did not meet till October, and matters of urgency had to be dealt with first. If, however, it was found to be practicable he was quite prepared to take the bill in hand this session. The Interstate Murray Waters Bill was for the purpose of embodying in statute law certain concessions made by New South Wales, which were not obligatory upon the State. He regretted to say that South Australia had seized the opportunity of imposing prohibitive restrictions in respect of fruit sought to be imported from New South Wales. If they showed a more conciliatory spirit the Government would be more likely to deal speedily with the Murray waters question.

PASS IT ON.

The members of the Ladies' Sanitary Association were entertained and instructed on Monday by a lecture by Miss Gould, entitled "Pass It On." The ladies of the association have during the past season attended lectures on various subjects by medical men, and Miss Gould said she hoped they had not only listened to but would pass on the instruction they had received. She trusted that they would not only practise what had been told—and example was the truest principle—but that they would convey to others, who had not had the opportunity of hearing, the valuable advice and instruction which had been so readily and courteously afforded to them. Conversely, Miss Gould advised her auditors very strongly not to pass on any troubles they heard of or experienced. Disease might get into their own homes, and in that case they should use their powers as members of the Sanitary Association, which gave them authority to speak, not to pass it on. Various infectious diseases had been very prevalent of late, and in many cases their spread was really due to carelessness or callousness. People did this by taking their sick children or friends into public conveyances, and in that way caused untold trouble. Miss Gould gave a few hints of what to do in regard to the contents of a sick room, especially one which had been occupied by scarlet fever or diphtheria patients, and advised them to burn everything that would not boil. People should be most careful in regard to the paper on rooms, and carry out the instructions furnished by the health authorities respecting their disinfection, as really very often carelessness in this respect was a fruitful source of the spread of disease.

On the motion of Mrs. Paton, seconded by Miss Vallentine, the lecturer was thanked for her address.

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OTHER FEATURES.

After the Rifle Meeting we have given especial attention to Yachting, Past and Present, a subject inspired by the opening on Saturday of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron's season. The history of the sport on Sydney Harbour is capitally treated by "For'ard Hand," and the illustrations include portraits of prominent yachtsmen and their boats. A page is devoted to the function at "Carabella." Our Guernsey budget from our travelling representative, "Moira," is continued. The letterpress and illustrations are both worthy the attention of breeders. "Adventures of an Old Warship," refers to the stranding of the Muerthe at Lord Howe Island; there are four interesting snapshots by a tourist. On the page dealing with the Women's Exhibition we show the contributions to the display by the Princess of Wales, and other members of the Royal Family; also a rare piece of Elizabethan tapestry. There are portraits of twelve notable Melbourne women. "Labour's Day at Bathurst" provides a picture.

The "Sydney Mail" is represented in Melbourne by "Milroy," and his letter about the doings at Flemington and Caulfield will be found valuable. He writes with authority, and his contribution to the opinions on prospects for the Derby and Cup takes a foremost place. It is highly informative, and no racing man should miss it, while everyone will find it readable.

The Pastoral Columns are newsy and instructive. "Lana" has revisited the Inverell district, and his impressions are highly interesting. Other matters of topical interest are also dealt with on the same page.

In the Agricultural Section a correspondent graphically refers to the grasshopper plague in the West. The budget of general notes is bulky and informative, and there are the weekly letters from the adjoining States.

On the Australian Short Story Page:—"Varied and Mutable," by "L.," and several poems. On the Young Folks' Page:—"Hoppity's Exploits," No. 5, by Walter H. Bone.

There are Football Notes on the New Zealanders in England; Cricket News, by "Shortslip," relating to the England-Western Australia match; also Australian first-grade matches, a table showing Saturday's best performances with bat and ball in the various States; Bowls, Tennis, and Billiard Notes; Golf Gossip; Dramatic and Musical Notes; Poultry and Kennel News; Stock Exchange News; Rifle, Rowing, and Swimming Notes; Literary Gossip; and City, Country, Interstate, and Foreign News.

The series of interesting reminiscences by "Thormanby," the famous English writer, is continued. "The Rout of the Thimblemen" and "Precocity in the Saddle" are the subjects dealt with this week.

Under the heading "Reminiscences of a Pioneer in New South Wales" there begins in this week's "Sydney Mail" an absorbingly interesting recital of adventures in the State. Edmund Morey, of Maryborough, Queensland, is the author, and he has many true bush stories to tell concerning horses, cattle, dogs, and even snakes—of drought, fire, and flood—of dealings, both friendly and otherwise, with the blacks. Many reminiscences of bygone celebrities are included in this series of tales of real life in the Australian bush.

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The FOURTH LECTURE of the above series for the current session will be delivered at the Royal Society's Hall, 5 Elizabeth-street North, by E. F. PITTMAN, A.R.S.M., Under-Secretary and Government Geologist, Department of Mines, THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING, at 8, on
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FUNERALS.

BRODERICK.—The Friends of the late JAMES PATRICK BRODERICK, of Fealey, Cardinal-street, Mosman, are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from Sacred Heart Church, Mosman, THIS THURSDAY, at 3 p.m., for Gore Hill Cemetery.
W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

CALLAWAY.—The Friends of the late MARY CALLAWAY are kindly invited to attend her Funeral; to leave her late residence, Church-street, Parramatta, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 4 o'clock, for Roman Catholic Cemetery, Parramatta.
R. METCALFE, Undertaker, Parramatta.
Tel., 96.

CAMPBELL.—The Friends of the late JAMES McLEAN CAMPBELL are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, 14 Excelsior-street, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for C. of E. Cemetery, Rookwood, via Petersham station. Service at 1 p.m. CROCKETT and CO., Undertakers.

CAMPBELL.—The Friends of Mrs. MARY E. CAMPBELL, Captain AMY CAMPBELL (Salvation Army), and Miss JESSIE CAMPBELL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved HUSBAND and FATHER, James McLean Campbell; to leave his late resid., 14 Excelsior-st., L'hardt, THIS AFTN., at 1.45.

CAMPBELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ROBT. PACKER and CHILDREN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved FATHER and GRANDFATHER, James McLean Campbell; to move from his late residence, 14 Excelsior-st., L'hardt, THIS AFTN., at 1.45, for C. of E. Cemetery, Rookwood.

CAMPBELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES CAMPBELL and Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT GOULD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved FATHER, James McLean Campbell; to leave his late residence, 14 Excelsior-st., L'hardt, THIS DAY, at 1.45 p.m., for C. of E. Cemetery, Rookwood.

CAMPBELL.—The Friends of Mrs. MEADER, Mr. and Mrs. McDONALD, and Mr. and Mrs. MAY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved BROTHER, James McLean Campbell; to move from his late residence, 14 Excelsior-st., Leichhardt, at 1.45, Necropolis, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON.

CARROLL.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. JOHN CARROLL will leave her late residence, 449 Riley-street, THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at half-past 8 o'clock, for Roman Catholic Cemetery, Rookwood.
CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director.
Head Office: 116 Oxford-street, and Branches.
Tel., 992.

COLLIVER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR COLLIVER are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON, Arthur William; to move from their residence, Lilah, Marrickville-road, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Petersham.
WALTER STEWART and SON, Bathurst-street. Tel., 1544.

COLLIVER.—The Friends and Relations of the Grand Guard of the I.O.G. Templars, Brother THOMAS and Sister PIPER, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved GRANDSON; to move from his parents' residence, Marrickville-road, THIS DAY, at 1.30, via Petersham station.

EVANS.—The Relatives and Friends of the late Mrs. CLEMENTINA EVANS are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral; to leave her late residence, Rosebery-street, Rozelle, TO-MORROW (Friday) MORNING, at 9 o'clock, for Field of Mars Cemetery.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Funeral Directors.

FLETCHER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ALFRED FLETCHER are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON, William Charles; to leave their residence, 32 Angel-street, Newtown, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Independent Cemetery, Rookwood, via Newtown station.
COFFILL and COMPANY.

FLEGG.—The Friends of EDWIN and MATTHEW FLEGG are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER, Providence Sarah Flegg; to move from her late residence, 220 Young-street, Annandale, on FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for C. of E. Cemetery, Rookwood, via Petersham station.
GEORGE ANDREWS, Undertaker, 60 Australia-street, Newtown.

GILLESPIE.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN GILLESPIE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Mary, which will leave his residence, No. 20 Pyrmont-street, Pyrmont, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for Presbyterian Cemetery, Necropolis.
WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors, Sydney, N.S., Subs. T., 726, etc.

HALL.—The Friends of Mr. G. H. HALL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved DAUGHTER, Ann Rowley; to leave his residence, 48 Burnett-street, Redfern, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
T. J. ANDREWS, Undertaker, Newtown.

KENSEY.—The Friends of Mr. N. KENSEY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly loved WIFE; to leave his residence, 345 Balmain-road, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3.15, for Balmain C. of E. Cemetery, Leichhardt.
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KENSEY.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOHNSTON and FAMILY and Mrs. FILMER are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Mrs. Annie Kensey; to leave 345 Balmain-road, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3.15, for Balmain Cemetery.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Sydney, Rozelle, and Suburbs.

McDONALD.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. EMMA JANE McDONALD (widow of the late Edward McDonald) will leave Newton, Burwood-road, Burwood, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2.15, for the Necropolis, via Burwood station.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Railway-parade, Burwood.

McGREGOR.—The Funeral of the late Mr. ARCHIBALD McGREGOR will leave Mortuary station, Regent-street, THIS MORNING, by 9.28 o'clock Funeral Train, for Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Head Office and Mortuary Chambers, 472-84 Harris-street.

MILES.—The Friends of the late SAMUEL JAMES MILES (late of Locomotive Department, Eveleigh) are kindly invited to his Funeral; to move from W. N. Bull's Private Mortuary, Watkin-street, Newtown, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery, via Newtown Station.
W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

NISBET.—The Funeral of the late WILLIAM HOLMES NISBET will leave Milson's Point Ferry for Gore Hill Cemetery at 3 p.m. THIS DAY (Thursday). No flowers, by special request.
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NORRIS.—The Friends of Mr. ROBERT NORRIS and FAMILY, of Denison-road, Petersham, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON and BROTHER, Claude Kelso; to leave our Mortuary Chambers, 484 Harris-street, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood.
COFFILL and COMPANY.

NORRIS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. NORRIS, of 62 Smith-street, Summer Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. S. O. NORRIS, of Fernhill-street, Fernhill, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved BROTHER, Claude Kelso; to leave our Mortuary Chambers, 484 Harris-street, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood.
COFFILL and COMPANY.

NORRIS.—The Friends of Mr. BOB NORRIS, of 33 Toxteth-road, Glebe Point, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved BROTHER, Claude (Dick); to move from Coffill's Mortuary Chambers, for Rookwood, THIS THURSDAY, by Funeral train.

NORRIS.—The Friends of Mr. GEORGE WELLS, of Homebush-road, Homebush, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved GRANDSON, Claude Norris, THIS DAY, Thursday, from Coffill's Mortuary, per train to Rookwood.

PITTENDRIGH.—The Friends of Mr. PITTENDRIGH and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE and their MOTHER; to move from his residence, 27 Fotheringham-street, Marrickville, THIS DAY, at 1.45, for Newtown station, thence to Rookwood.
T. J. ANDREWS, Undertaker, 25 Enmore-road, Newtown.

RYAN.—The Friends of the deceased Mrs. NORAH RYAN are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral; to leave her late residence, 19 Foveaux-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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RYAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES RYAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER; to leave 19 Foveaux-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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RYAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN RYAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER; to leave 19 Foveaux-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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RYAN.—The Friends of Mrs. ANNIE RYAN and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Norah Ryan; to leave 19 Foveaux-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Central Office, 735 George-street.

SAWYER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN E. SAWYER are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved infant DAUGHTER, Edith Evelyn Grace; to leave their residence, 15½ High-street, Balmain, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
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TUBB.—The Friends of Mr. HENRY TUBB and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE and their MOTHER, Eliza; to move from her late residence, 4 Greenhill-street, Croydon, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Methodist Cemetery, new portion, Rookwood, via Croydon station. F. J. FIELD, Funeral Director, Ashfield. Tel., 142 A.

TUBB.—L.O.L. ROSE OF ENGLAND, No. 209.—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge and Sister Lodges are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of Mrs. HENRY TUBB, Mother of Sister Garner; to move from her residence, Greenhill-street, Croydon, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.45 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
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